ATTACK ON TITAN

17

HAJIME ISAYAMA

ATTACK ON TITAN 17

HAJIME ISAYAMA

Episode 67:
Outside the Walls of Orvud District
5

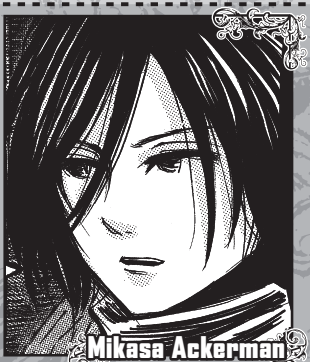
Episode 68:
Ruler of the Walls
51

Episode 69:
Friends
97

Episode 70:
A Dream I Once Had
143

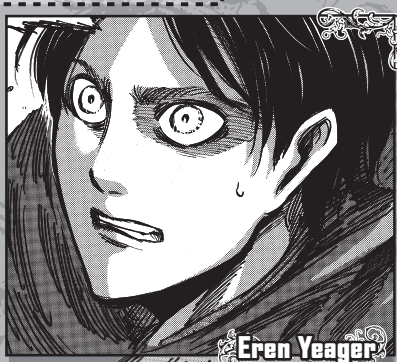
"Attack on Titan" Character Introductions

104th Corps



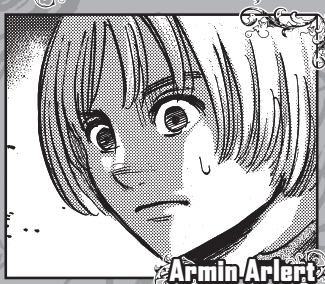
Graduated at the top of her training corps, Mikasa is a highly talented soldier. Her parents were murdered before her eyes when she was a child, but Eren saved her life. Since then, she has made it her mission to protect him.

Mikasa Ackerman



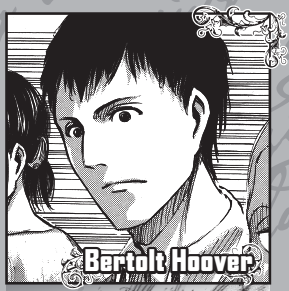
Eren joined the Survey Corps out of his longing for the outside world and his hatred of the Titans. He has the power to turn himself into a Titan, but its origins are unknown.

Eren Yeager

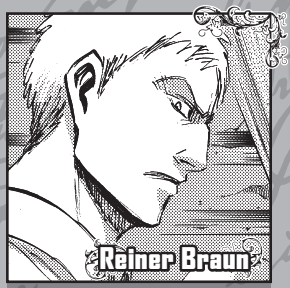


Eren and Mikasa's childhood friend. Though Armin isn't athletic in the least, he possesses both sharp observational powers and keen insight, and he exhibits an extraordinary ability to develop strategies.

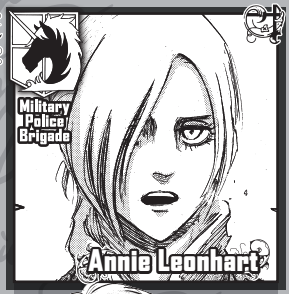
Armin Arlert



Bertolt Hoover

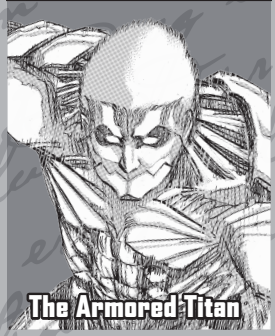


Reiner Braun



Annie Leonhart

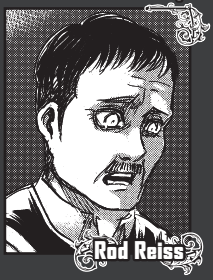
The Colossus Titan



The Armored Titan

The Female Titan

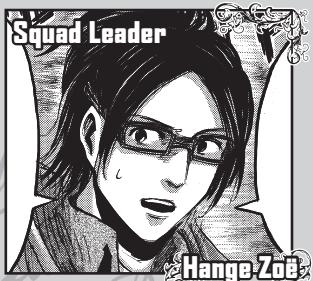
Head of the Reiss family

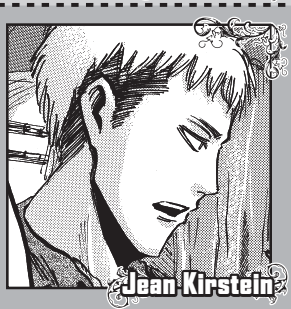


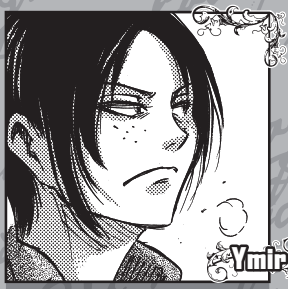
Military Police Anti-Personnel Control Squad Leader

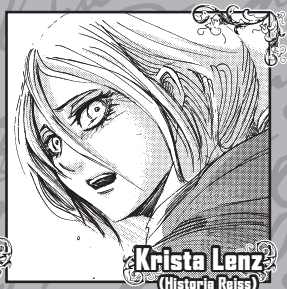
Survey Corps

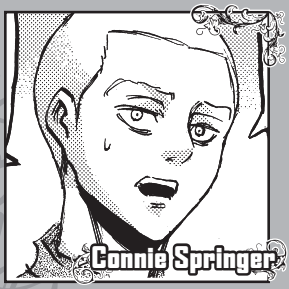
Soldiers who are prepared to sacrifice themselves as they brave the Titan territory outside the walls.

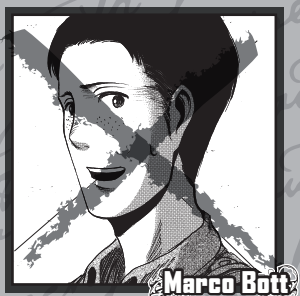


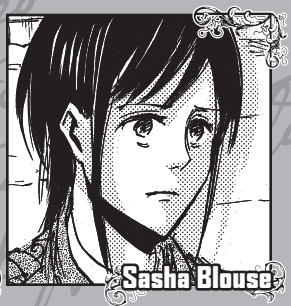






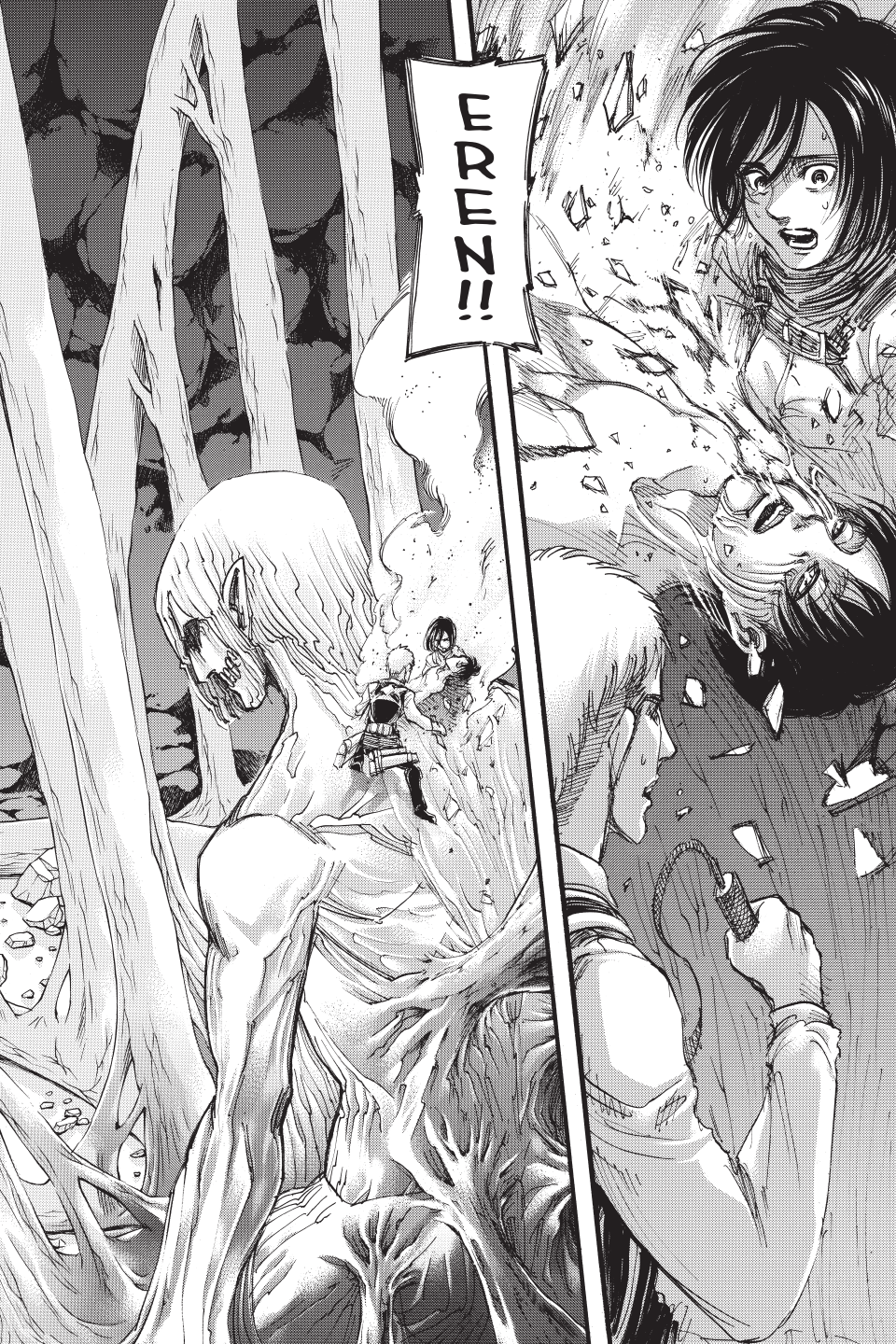




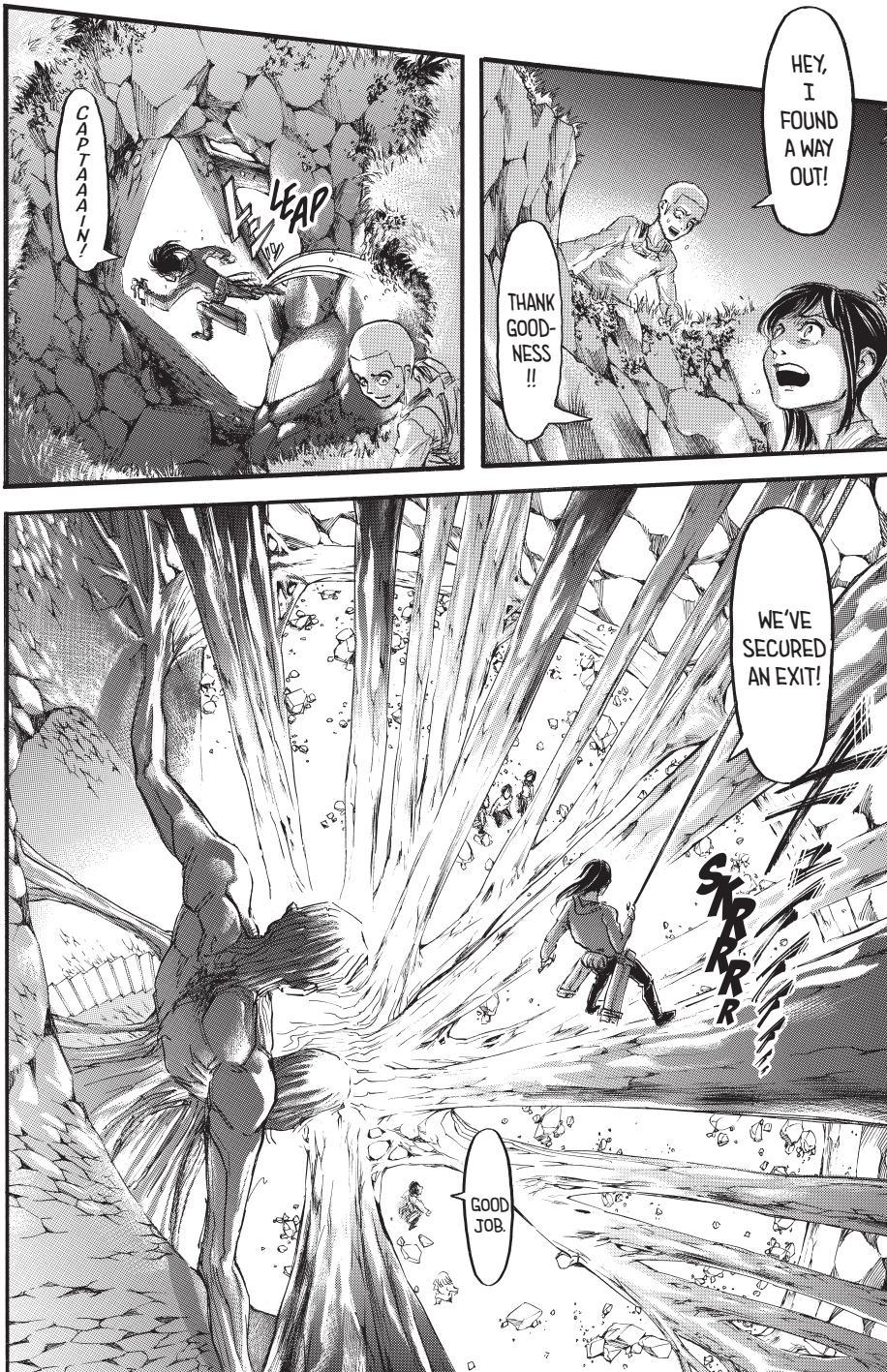


ATTACK
on TITAN

ゴッ
THUD
ゴッ
THUD
ゴッ
THUD
EREN—
EREN!


EREN!!

Episode 67:
Outside the Walls of Orvud District


CAPTAAAIN!
LEAP
THANK GOOD-NESS !!
HEY, I FOUND A WAY OUT!
WE'VE SECURED AN EXIT!
SKRRR
GOOD JOB.

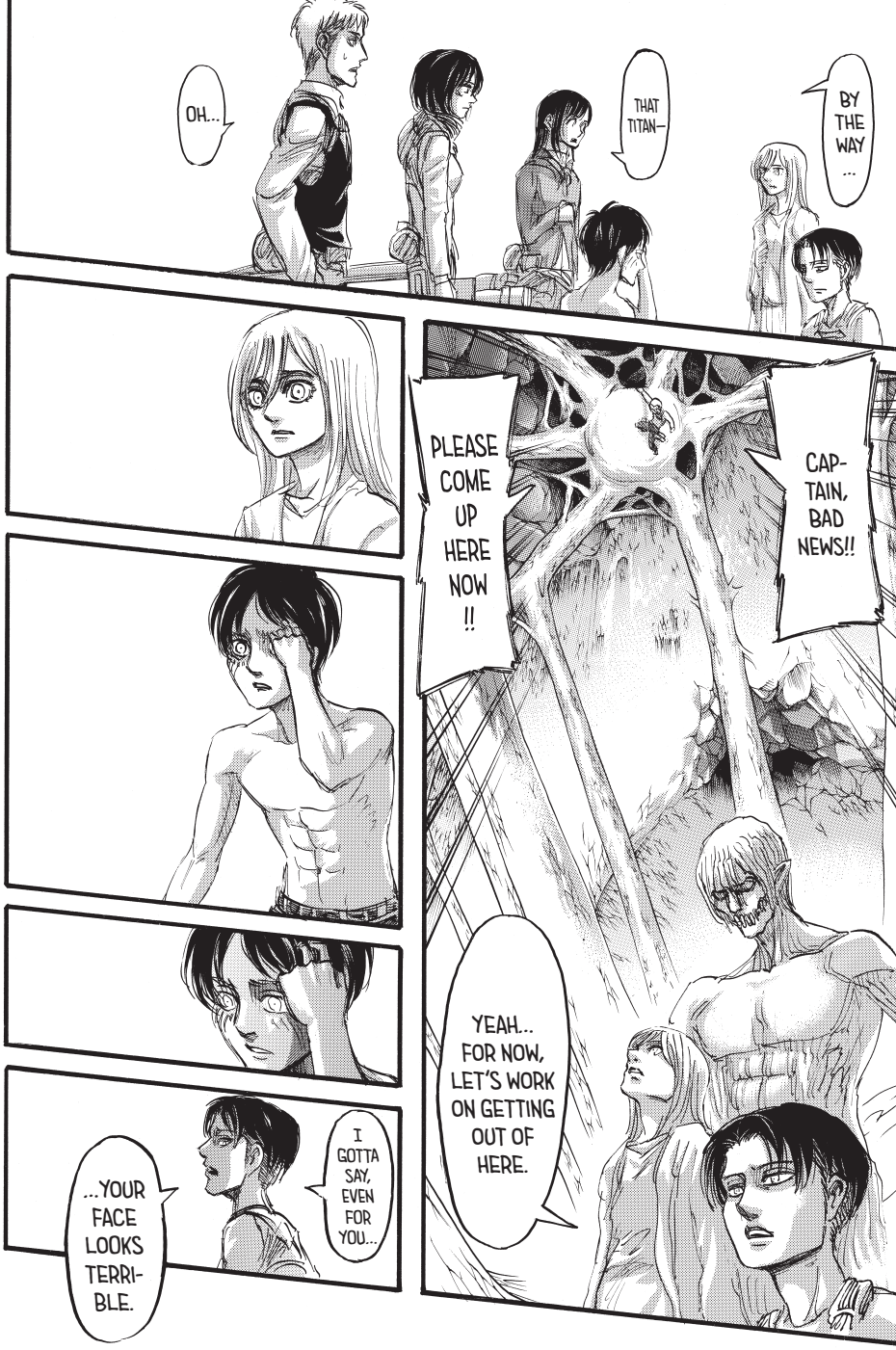
EREN...
OH...
BOW
EVERY-ONE'S SAFE THANKS TO YOU!
IT TOOK SOME HARD WORK, THOUGH.
SO THEY MANAGED TO DIG YOU OUT OKAY!
STEP
STEP
BUT TO BE HONEST, THAT MOMENT WHEN YOU LEAPED FORWARD BAWLING AND RUNNING ALL CREEPY... I THOUGHT, "IT'S ALL OVER. THERE'S NO WAY THIS FREAK CAN SAVE US." I WAS ALL TEARY-EYED AND SNIFFLING LIKE THIS, AND...
IS THIS ...

I'D SAY THIS IS PRETTY BIG NEWS.
WE CUT YOU OUT OF THIS TITAN, BUT IT HASN'T DISAP-PEARED.
YES. IT HARD-ENED.
...
...

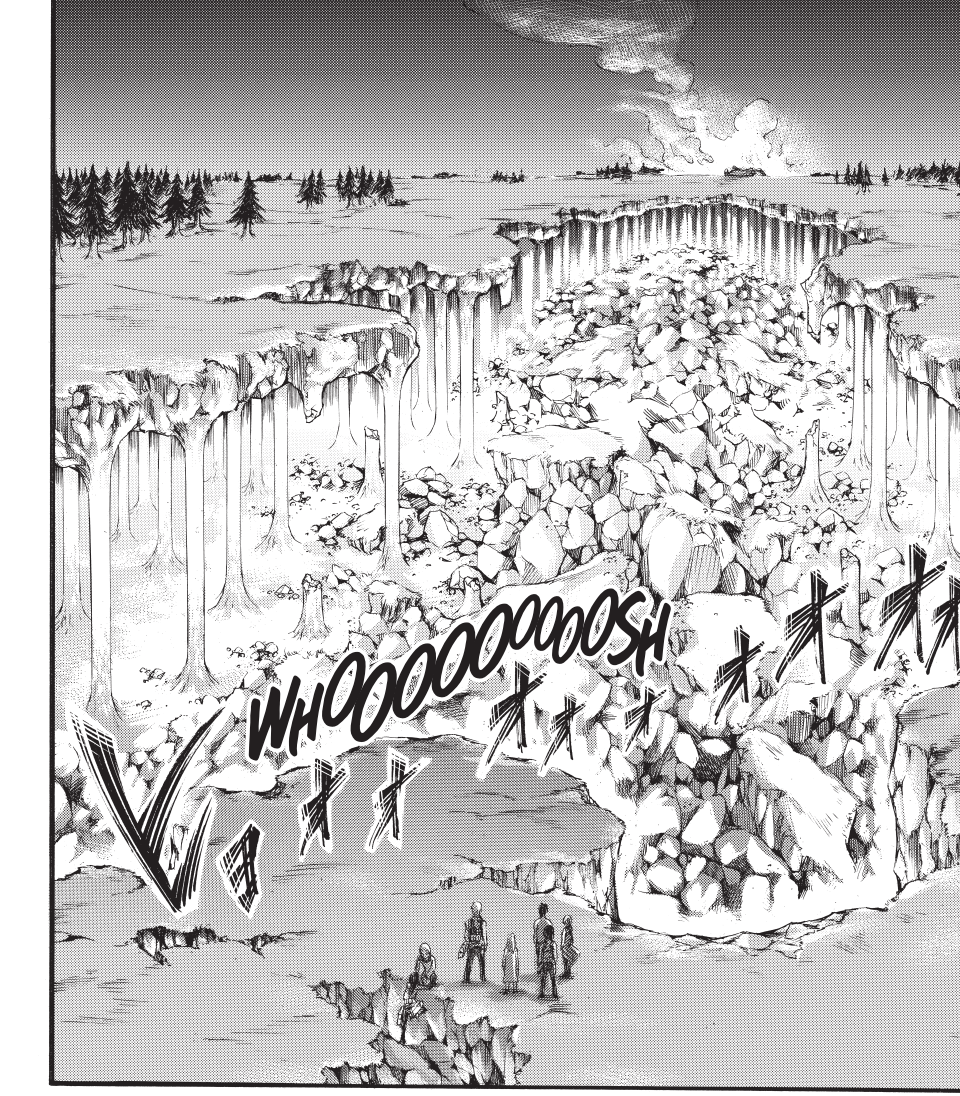
OH...
!!
TH-
THUMP
WHERE'S THAT BOTTLE ?!
I'VE GOT IT!
I HAPPENED TO DRINK FROM THIS BOTTLE LABELED "ARMOR," AND WHEN I TURNED INTO A TITAN...
WE FOUND ROD REISS'S BAG, BUT...
OH...
EVERY-THING ELSE IN THE BAG, ALONG WITH THE OTHER CONTAIN-ERS THAT FLEW OUT OF IT...
...EITHER WERE CRUSHED OR EVAPORATED. THERE'S NOTHING LEFT.

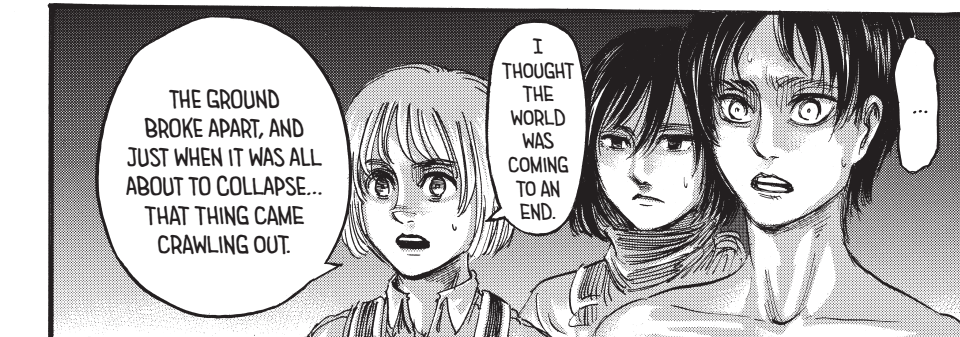
YOU USED WHATEVER WAS INSIDE OF THAT BOTTLE...
NO... THEY COULD STILL BE SOMEWHERE.
SO IT'S ...
...
YOU SUPPORTED THE ROOF, KEPT IT FROM CAVING IN, AND PROTECTED US FROM BOTH THE HEAT AND THE ROCKS.
...AND YOUR TITAN HARDENED, SOMETHING THAT YOU WERE NEVER ABLE TO DO ALL THIS TIME.
...IT'S AN ABSURD THOUGHT, BUT THIS MUST BE HOW THE WALLS WERE MADE, TOO.
OBVIOUSLY, NO ONE TAUGHT YOU HOW TO DO THIS, YET... YOU CREATED THIS HUGE STRUCTURE IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE.
IN OTHER WORDS, IT'S NOW POSSIBLE TO SEAL THE HOLE IN WALL MARIA.

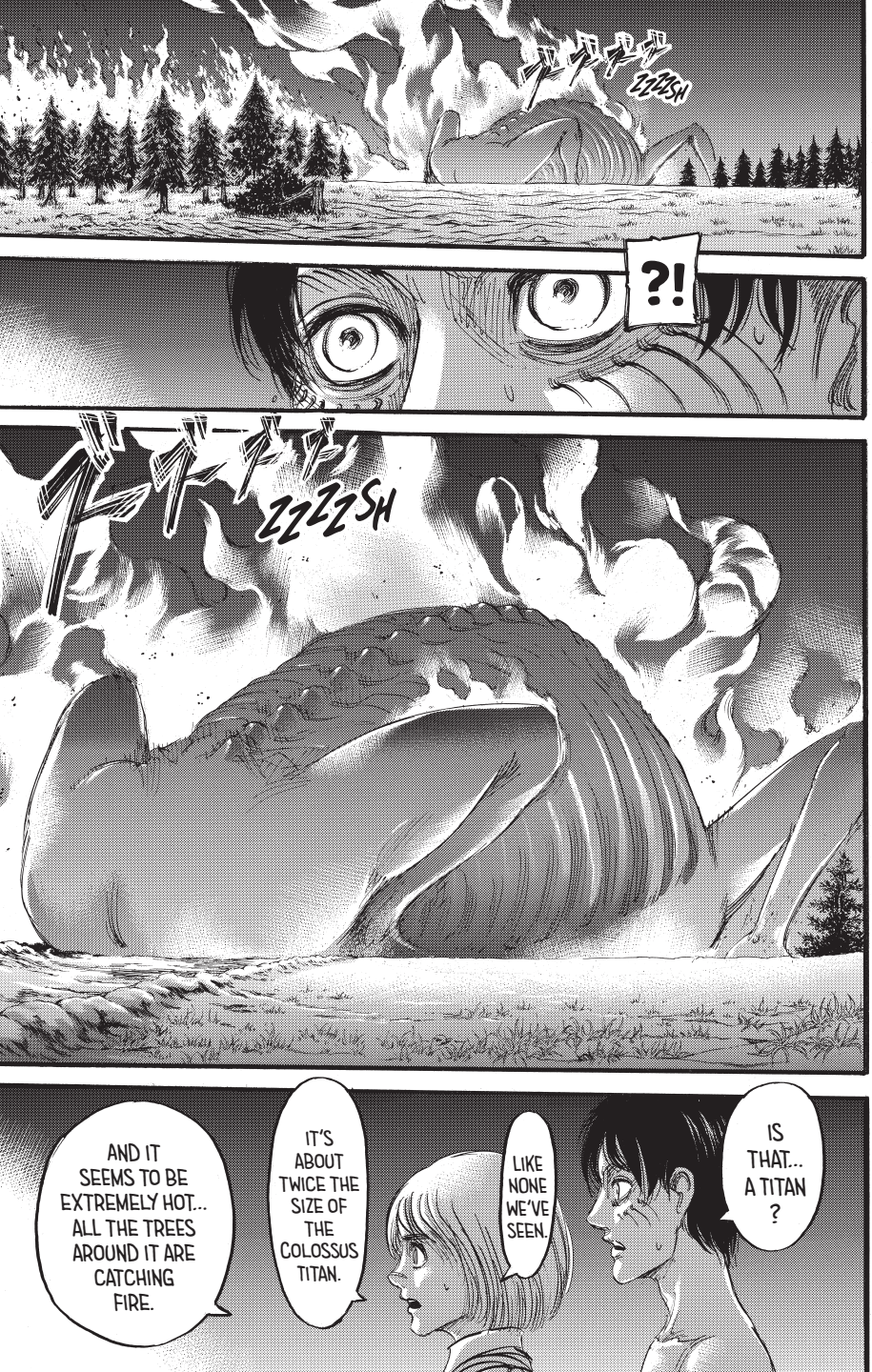
WE TOOK THE LONG WAY, AND OUR PATH IS LITTERED WITH THE CORPSES OF ENEMIES AND COMRADES...
WE'RE POOR NAVIGATORS, BUT...
...WE FINALLY MADE IT TO OUR DESTINATION.
RECAPTURING WALL MARIA...
IF WE CAN DO THAT, WE'LL BE ABLE TO SEE WHAT'S IN THE BASEMENT AT MY HOUSE.
THEN AGAIN...
...IF THAT WAS WHO MY FATHER REALLY WAS...
SQUEEZE


BY THE WAY ...
THAT TITAN—
OH...
CAP-TAIN, BAD NEWS!!
PLEASE COME UP HERE NOW !!
YEAH... FOR NOW, LET'S WORK ON GETTING OUT OF HERE.
I GOTTA SAY, EVEN FOR YOU...
...YOUR FACE LOOKS TERRI-BLE.

EREN.
GRASP
WHAT HAP-PENED?
WHAT ABOUT THE TITAN?
?!
THANK GOOD-NESS.
YOU'RE BOTH ALL RIGHT?
YEAH ...


WHOOOOOOOOSH

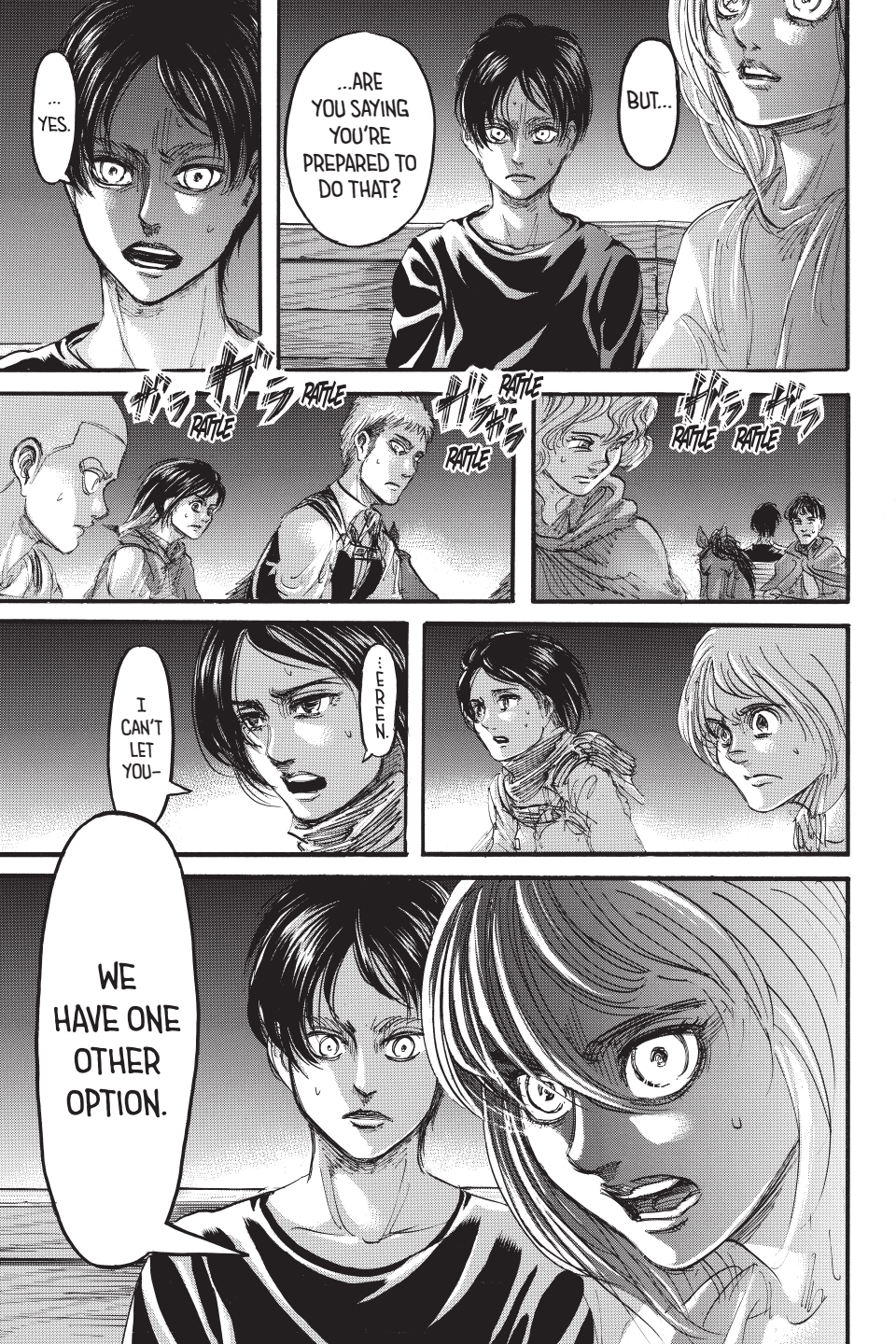

THE GROUND BROKE APART, AND JUST WHEN IT WAS ALL ABOUT TO COLLAPSE... THAT THING CAME CRAWLING OUT.
I THOUGHT THE WORLD WAS COMING TO AN END.
...


ZZZZSH
?!
ZZZZSH
IS THAT... A TITAN?
LIKE NONE WE'VE SEEN.
IT'S ABOUT TWICE THE SIZE OF THE COLOSSUS TITAN.
AND IT SEEMS TO BE EXTREMELY HOT... ALL THE TREES AROUND IT ARE CATCHING FIRE.

...!
US, I MEAN.
AND IT'S IGNORING NEARBY HUMANS.
WHAT HAP-PENED DOWN THERE?
IF IT'S NOT BEING CONTROLLED BY THE WILL OF A FORMER HUMAN, THEN YES, BUT...
SO... IT'S AN ABNOR-MAL?
THE INTERIOR SQUAD COULD BE NEARBY. STAY ON GUARD.
WE'RE GOING AFTER THAT TITAN.
RATTLE
RATTLE RATTLE

CLOP
CLOP
CLOP
CLOP
RATTLE
ガラ ガラ
RATTLE
ガラ ガラ
CLOP
CLOP
UMM... SO...
SAY WE CALL THE TITAN POWER INSIDE EREN THE PROGENITOR TITAN...
ONLY THOSE DESCENDED FROM THE REISS BLOODLINE CAN USE THE TRUE POWER OF THE PROGENITOR TITAN.
HOWEVER, EVEN IF A REISS GAINS ITS POWER...
...THEY'LL BE CONTROLLED BY THE FIRST KING'S IDEOLOGY... WHICH WON'T LET THEM FREE HUMANITY FROM THE TITANS.
...HUH.
THAT'S REALLY INTEREST-ING.
RATTLE
RATTLE

SO THE FIRST KING WOULD CALL **THIS** TRUE PEACE?
WHAT A FUNNY WAY TO LOOK AT THINGS.
SO THAT MEANS... WE STILL HAVE OPTIONS.
IF I LET THAT TITAN EAT ME...
...THEN ROD REISS WILL GO BACK TO BEING A HUMAN.
WE CAN STILL BRING BACK A FULL PROGENITOR TITAN.
...
...BUT THAT'S-!
SEEMS THAT WAY.
!
IF ROD REISS TURNS BACK INTO A HUMAN AND WE CAN SUCCESSFULLY RESTRAIN HIM...
...THEN UNDO THE FIRST KING'S BRAINWASHING, THAT COULD BE A WAY TO SAVE HUMANITY...


...
YES.
...ARE YOU SAYING YOU'RE PREPARED TO DO THAT?
BUT...
ガラ RATTLE
ガラ RATTLE
ガラ RATTLE
ガラ RATTLE
ガラ RATTLE
ガラ RATTLE
...EREN.
I CAN'T LET YOU-
WE HAVE ONE OTHER OPTION.

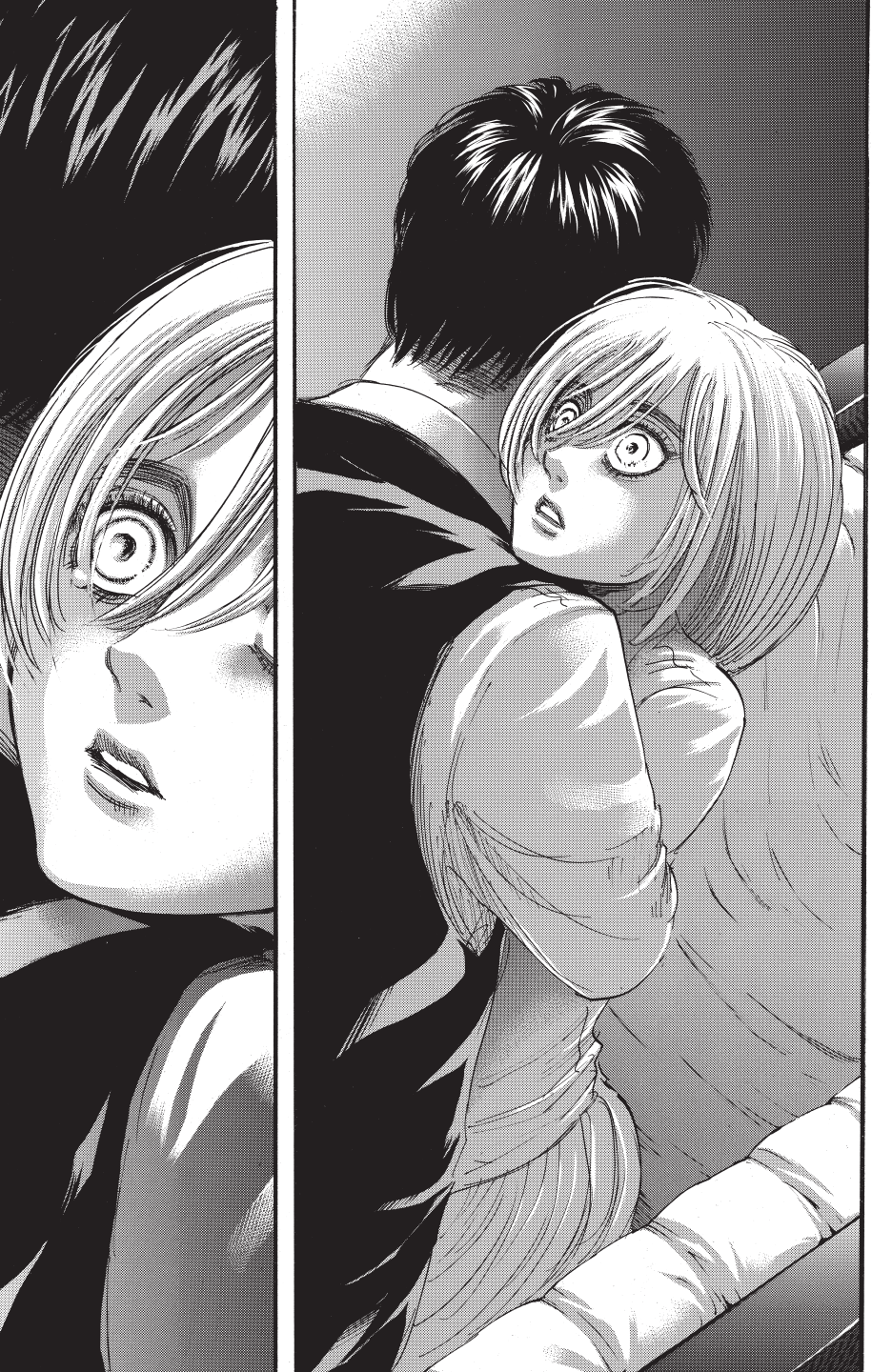
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
FIRST OFF...THERE ARE A LOT OF PROBLEMS WITH THIS PLAN OF TURNING ROD REISS INTO THE PROGENITOR TITAN.
YOU TALK ABOUT UNDOING THE BRAINWASHING, BUT THE REISS FAMILY HAS APPARENTLY TRIED TO DO THAT FOR DECADES AND FAILED.
AND ONCE HE GETS THAT POWER, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO RESTRAIN HIM IF HE CAN ALTER HUMANITY'S MEMORIES.
WE SHOULD ALSO ASSUME THAT THERE ARE OTHER FACTORS WE CAN'T SEE FROM OUR POSITION.
IN FACT, THESE CIRCUMSTANCES COULD BE THE ONE HOPE HUMANITY HAS. THE PROGENITOR TITAN HAS BEEN TAKEN AWAY...
!
...FROM THE PEOPLE WHO WOULD USE IT TO PROPAGATE THEIR RUINOUS IDEAS ABOUT **PEACE.**
RATTLE
RATTLE
THAT'S RIGHT... YOUR FATHER...
...WAS TRYING TO SAVE HUMANITY FROM THE FIRST KING.

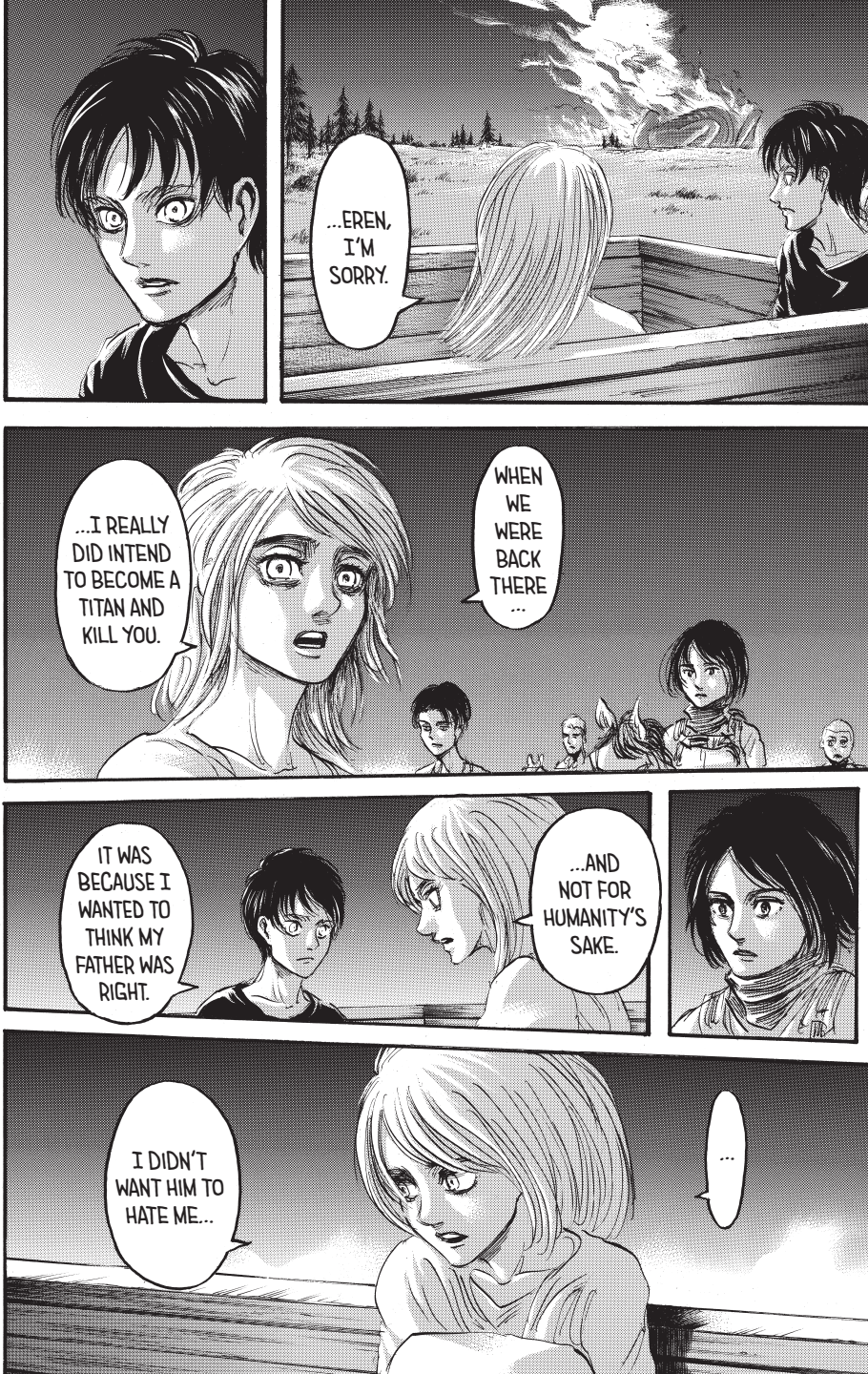
HE STOLE THE PROGENITOR TITAN FROM MY SISTER AND MURDERED THE REISS FAMILY, INCLUDING THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN...
...BECAUSE THAT WAS THE ONLY OPTION HE HAD.
ZKKT
IF YOU WANT TO SAVE MIKASA... ARMIN... ALL OF THEM...
...THEN YOU HAVE TO LEARN...
...HOW TO CONTROL THIS POWER.

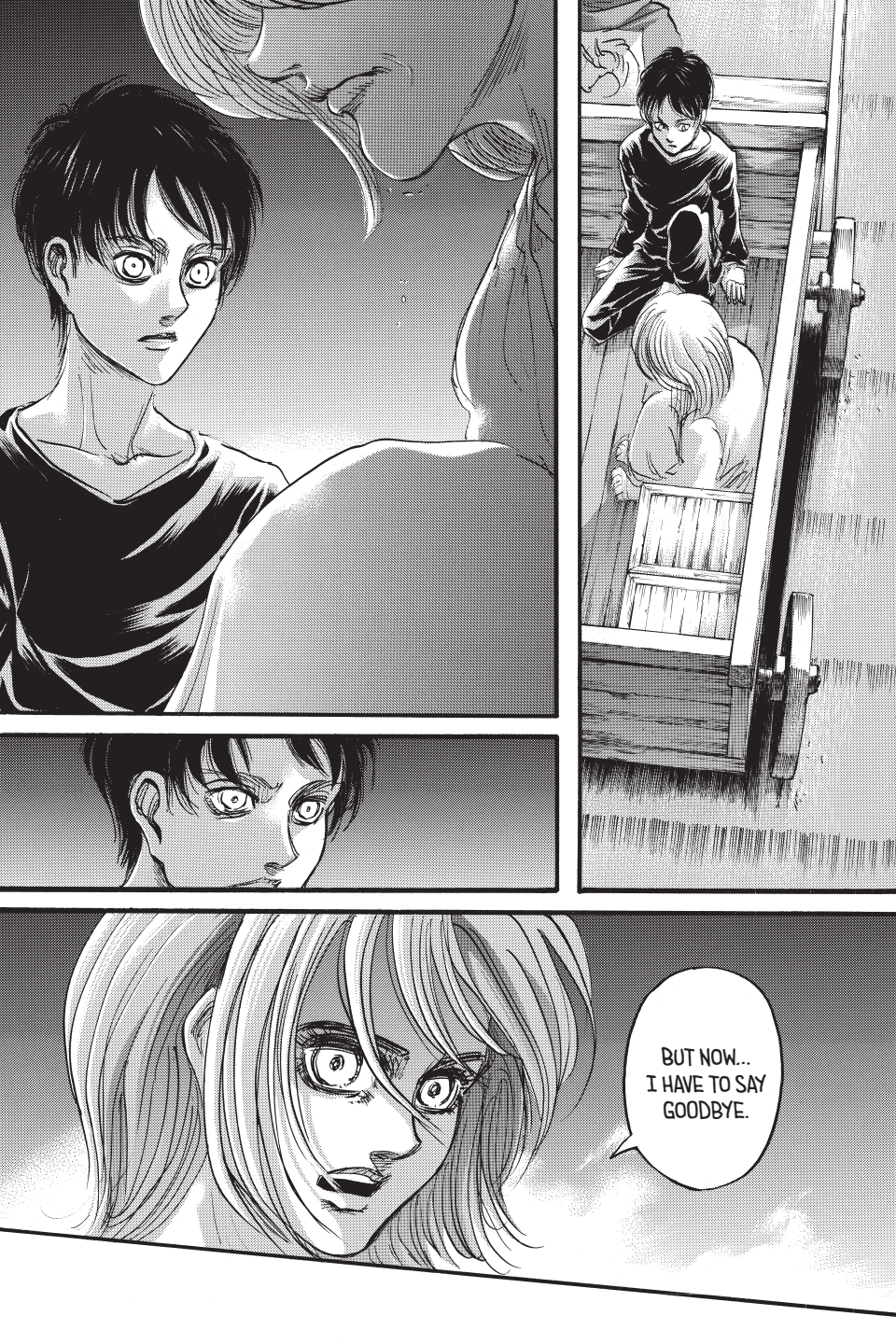
DAD ...
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
THERE HAS TO BE A WAY TO SAVE HUMANITY WITHOUT THE REISS FAMILY'S BLOOD!
YEAH !
THERE'S NO WAY SOMEONE LIKE DR. YEAGER WOULD DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT FOR NO REASON!
THAT'S RIGHT!
THAT'S WHY HE ENTRUSTED YOU WITH THE KEY TO THE BASE-MENT.

RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
I THINK WE ONLY HAVE ONE CHOICE.
IT FINALLY LOOKS LIKE WE CAN PLUG THE HOLE IN THE WALL.
UH, YEAH...
?
THE BASEMENT? OH... THAT?! SO IT'S IMPORTANT?
I GUESS THINGS HAVE GOTTEN A LITTLE EASIER.
RATTLE
RATTLE
...
WHOOOOOOOSH
UNLESS WE HAVE SOME USE FOR IT, WE CAN'T LET THAT TITAN JUST STROLL AROUND INSIDE THE WALL.
AND I DON'T THINK WE CAN RE-STRAIN ONE OF THAT SIZE...
I'M SAYING...
BUT... ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THIS, HISTORIA?
I AGREE WITH THAT OPTION, TOO.

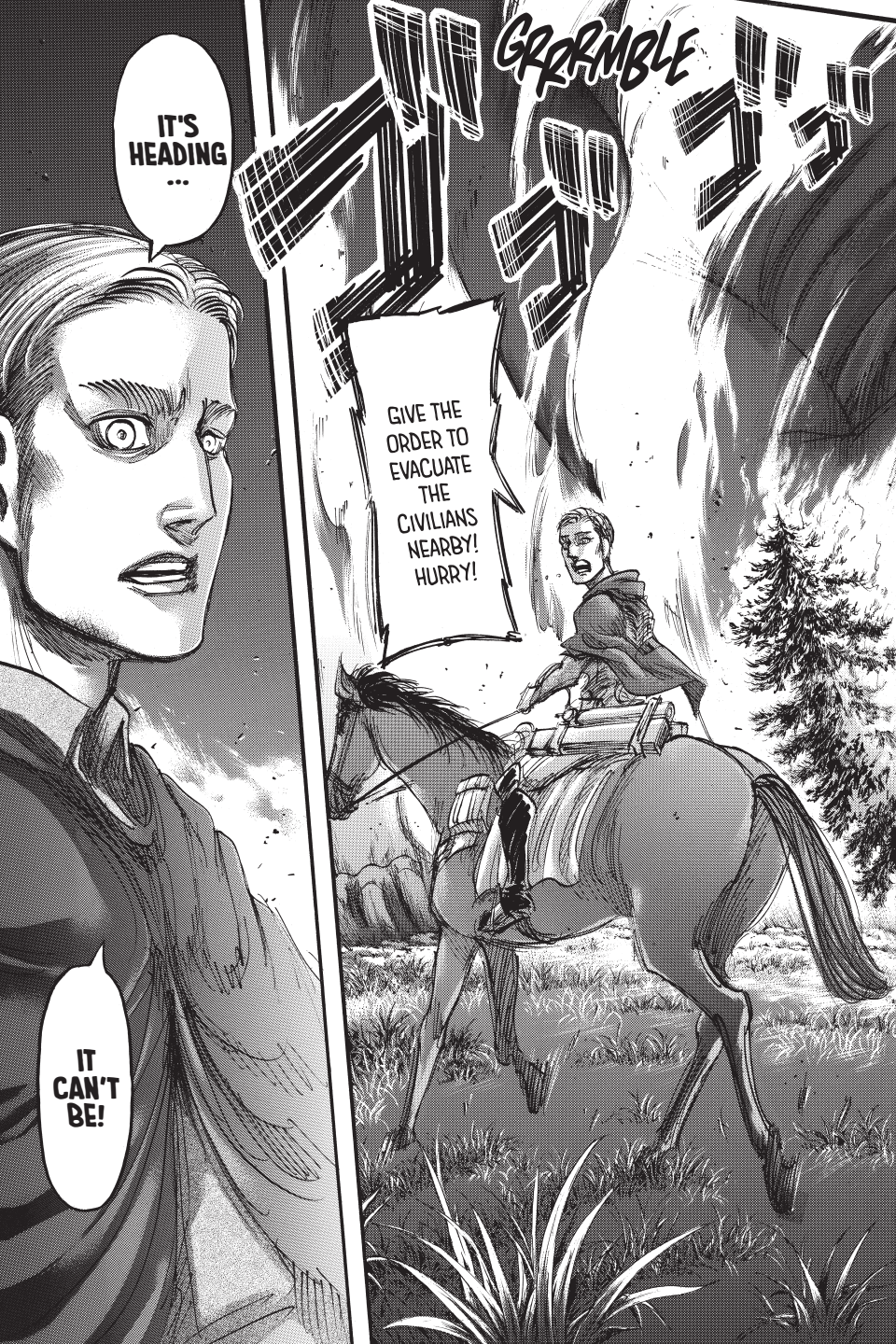
...WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO KILL YOUR DAD.
RATTLE RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE

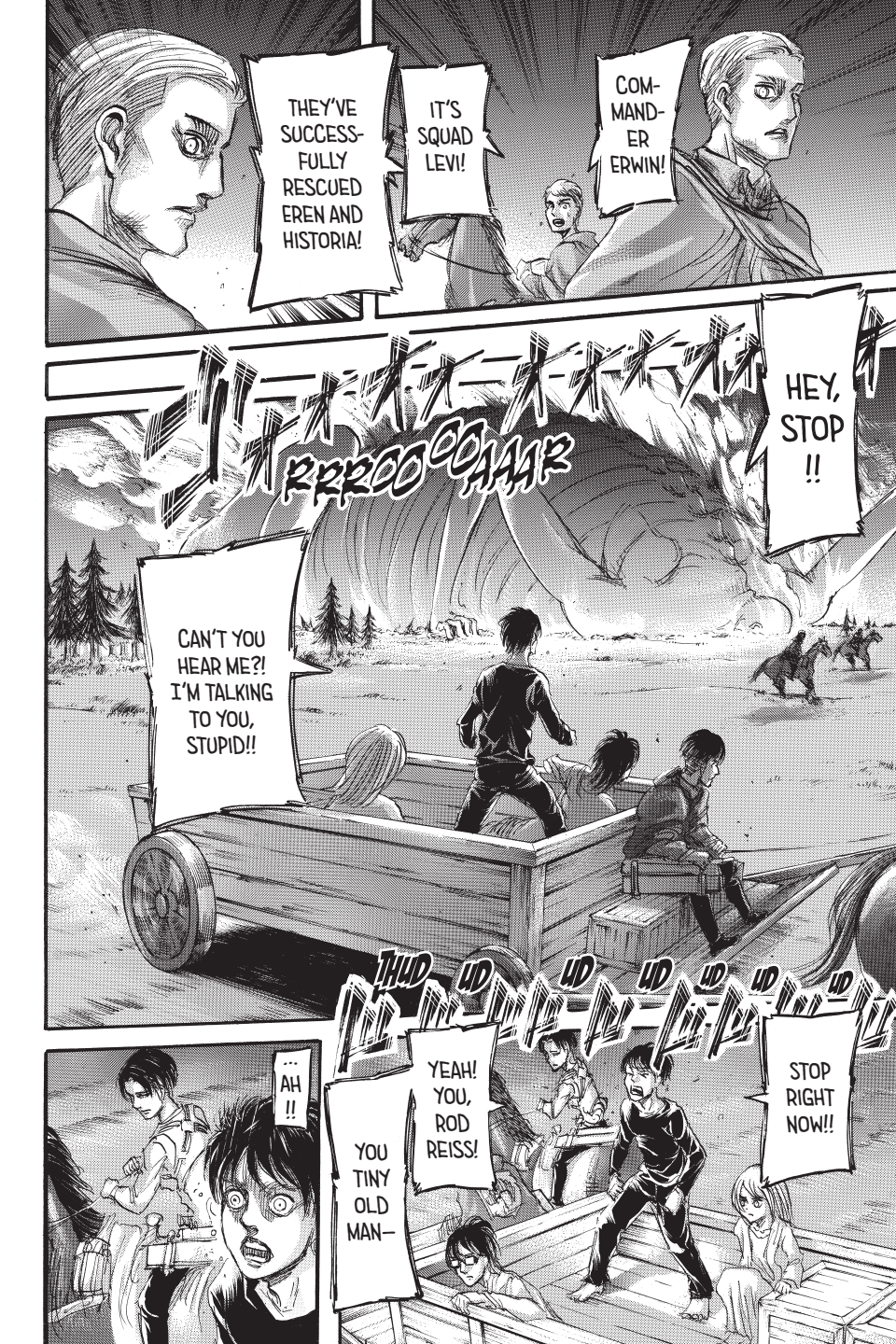



...EREN, I'M SORRY.
WHEN WE WERE BACK THERE ...
...I REALLY DID INTEND TO BECOME A TITAN AND KILL YOU.
...AND NOT FOR HUMANITY'S SAKE.
IT WAS BECAUSE I WANTED TO THINK MY FATHER WAS RIGHT.
...
I DIDN'T WANT HIM TO HATE ME...


BUT NOW...
I HAVE TO SAY
GOODBYE.

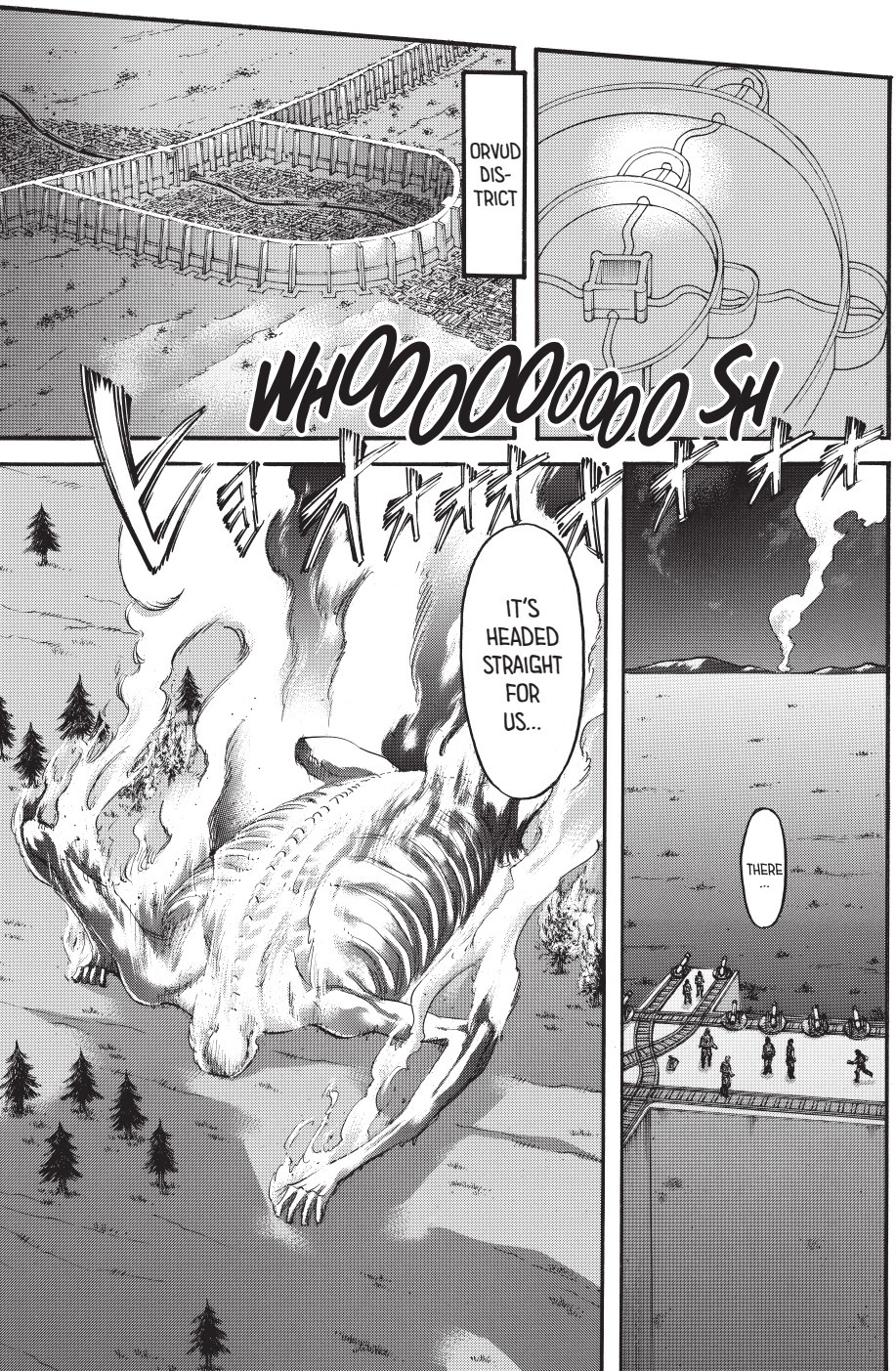
GRRRRMBLE
IT'S NO GOOD! GET BACK!!
KRAKL KRAKL
YOU'LL BE BURNT TO A CRISP !!


GRRRMBLE
GIVE THE ORDER TO EVACUATE THE CIVILIANS NEARBY! HURRY!
IT'S HEADING ...
IT CAN'T BE!

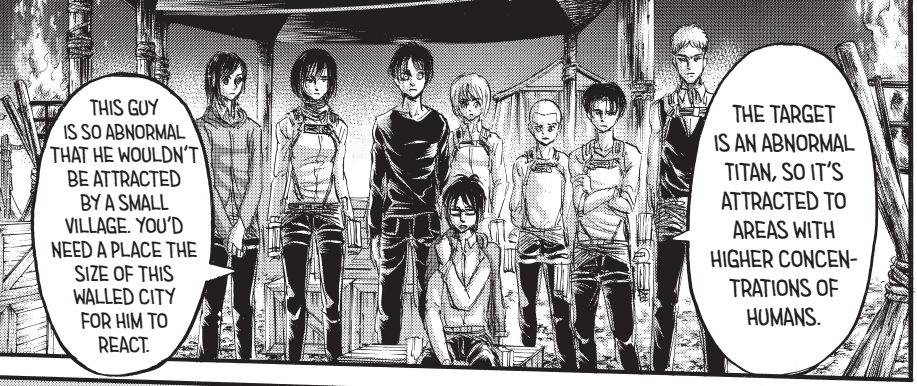

COM-
MAND-
ER
ERWIN!
IT'S
SQUAD
LEVI!
THEY'VE
SUCCESS-
FULLY
RESCUED
EREN AND
HISTORIA!
HEY,
STOP
!!
RRROOOAAR
CAN'T YOU
HEAR ME?!
I'M TALKING
TO YOU,
STUPID!!
THUD
THUD
THUD
THUD
THUD
THUD
THUD
STOP
RIGHT
NOW!!
YEAH!
YOU,
ROD
REISS!
YOU
TINY
OLD
MAN—
...
AH
!!

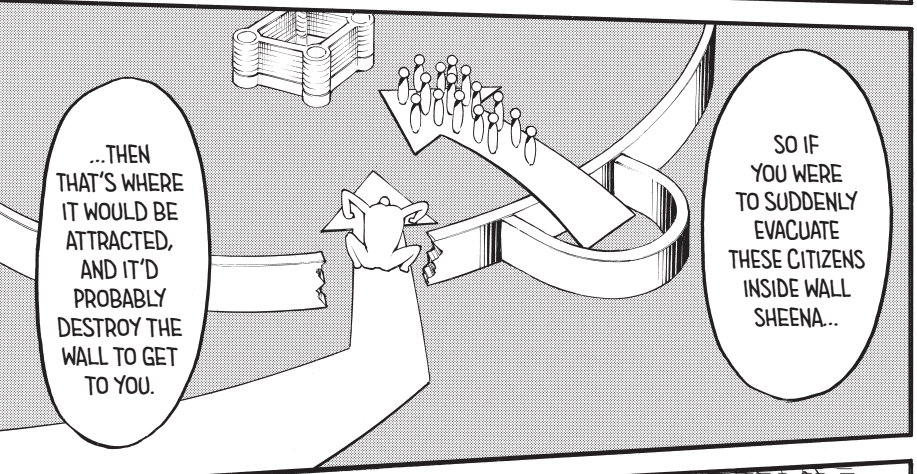
BACK WHEN YOU CALLED THE TITANS, DID YOU DO ANYTHING OTHER THAN SCREAM?
I WAS ...
... AT MY WIT'S END, AND ...
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
HMM... I DON'T SEE HIM REACTING AT ALL.
STOP, TITAN !!
BGSH
OH...
!
STOP !!
STOP !!
BGSH
BGSH
HE'S... NOT RE-ACTING.

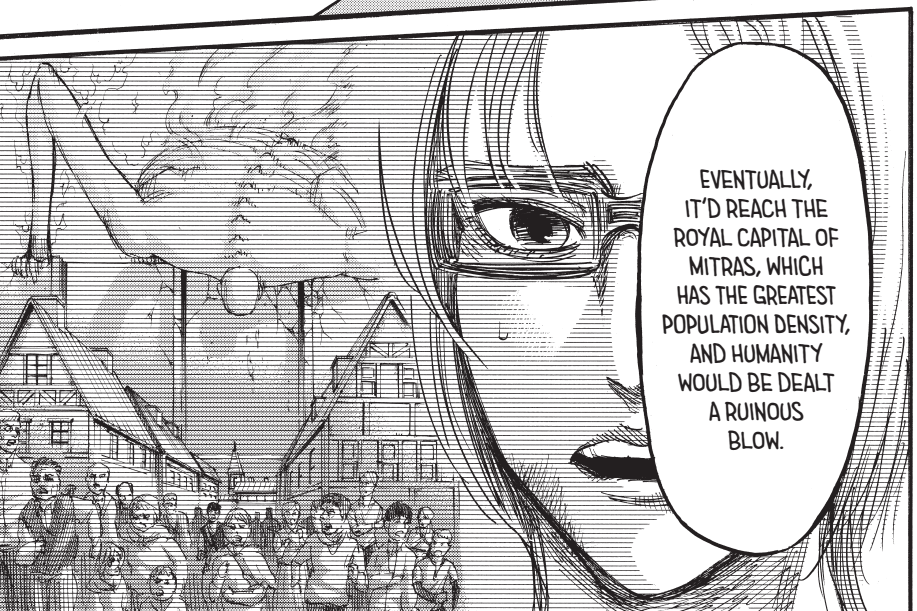
LEVI.
IS THAT YOU, ERWIN?
HOW IS EVERY-ONE?
ONLY HANGE IS HURT.
HEYA, ERWIN!
COM-MAND-ER!
DOESN'T LOOK TOO BAD.
CLOP
CLOP
CLOP
CLOP
CLOP
CLOP
CLOP
CLOP
WELL DONE, ALL OF YOU.
EREN'S SCREAM ISN'T WORKING ...
I HAVE A LONG LIST OF THINGS TO TELL YOU, BUT FIRST—
WHAT ABOUT THAT TITAN?
THAT'S ROD REISS.
I THINK WE NEED TO ASK YOUR OPINION... COMMANDER.


ORVUD DIS-TRICT
WHOOOOOOOO SH
IT'S HEADED STRAIGHT FOR US...
THERE ...

WHOOOOOOOOSH
WHAT'RE YOU THINKING, ERWIN ?!
THAT TITAN WILL BE HERE BY DAWN!!
BUT IT'S AN AB-NORMAL.
SO WHAT IF IT IS?!
GRAB
YOU'RE TELLING ME TO KEEP THE CITIZENS HERE?! NOT TO EVACUATE THEM?!

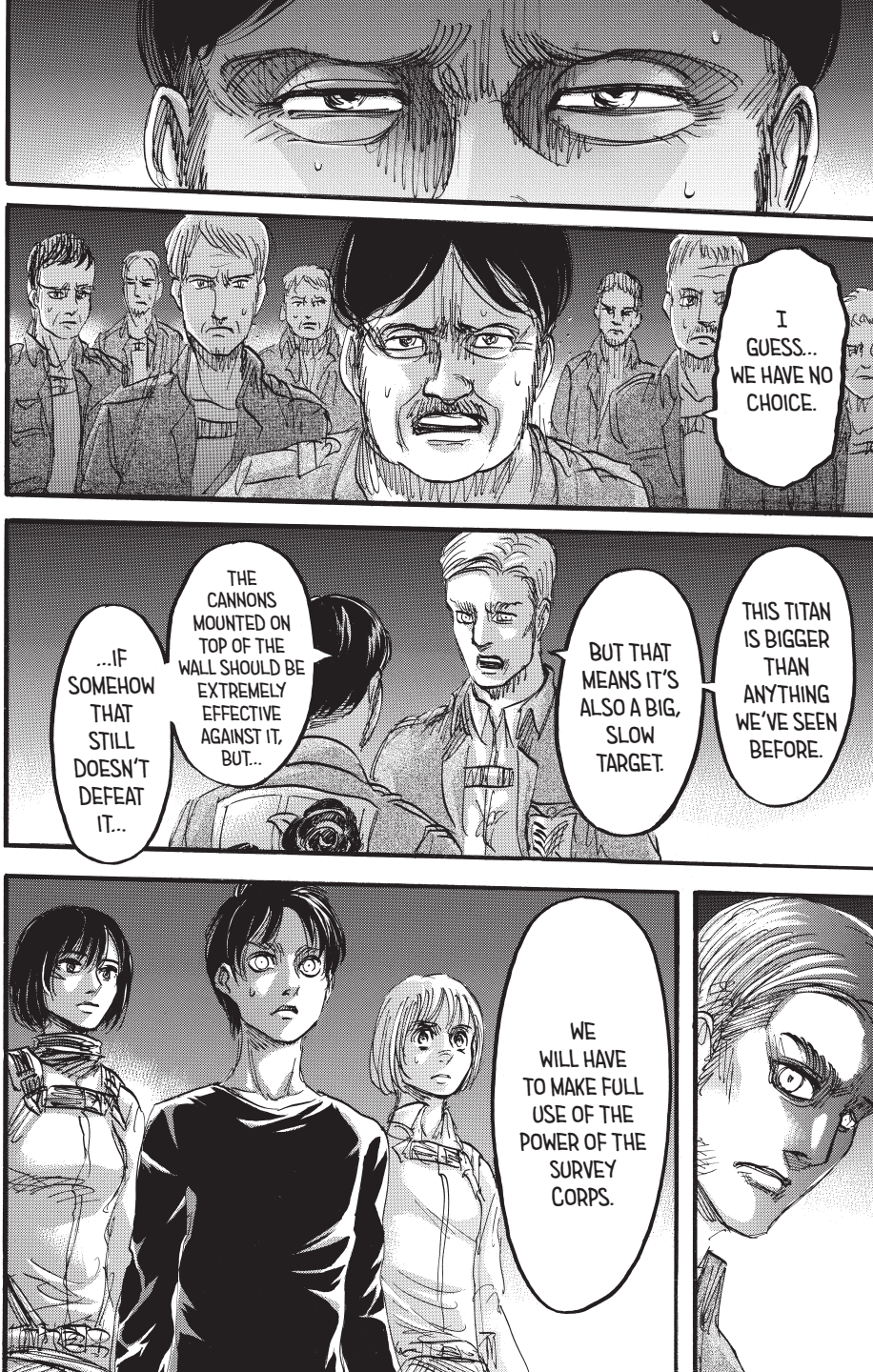

THIS GUY IS SO ABNORMAL THAT HE WOULDN'T BE ATTRACTED BY A SMALL VILLAGE. YOU'D NEED A PLACE THE SIZE OF THIS WALLED CITY FOR HIM TO REACT.
THE TARGET IS AN ABNORMAL TITAN, SO IT'S ATTRACTED TO AREAS WITH HIGHER CONCENTRATIONS OF HUMANS.

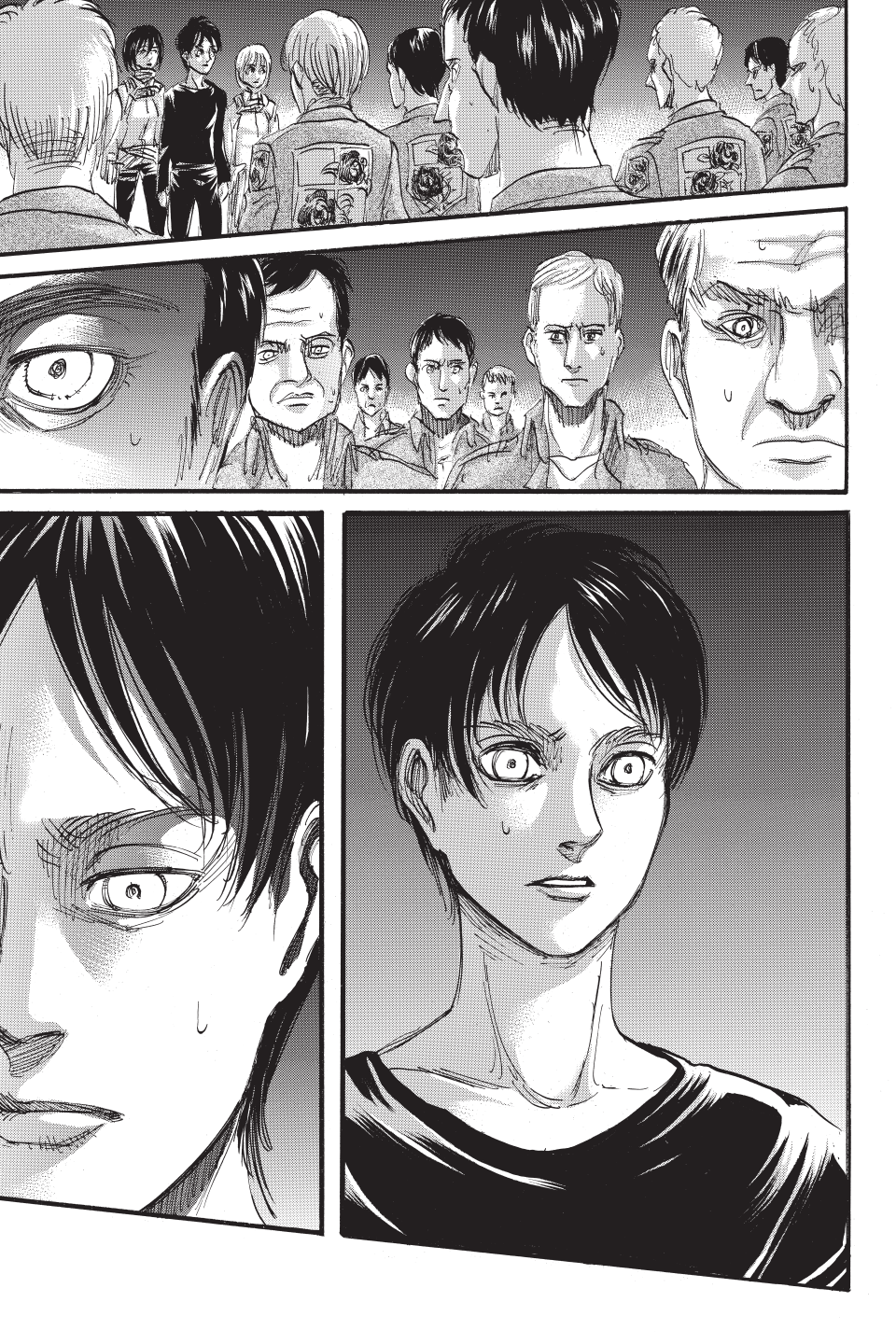

...THEN THAT'S WHERE IT WOULD BE ATTRACTED, AND IT'D PROBABLY DESTROY THE WALL TO GET TO YOU.
SO IF YOU WERE TO SUDDENLY EVACUATE THESE CITIZENS INSIDE WALL SHEENA...

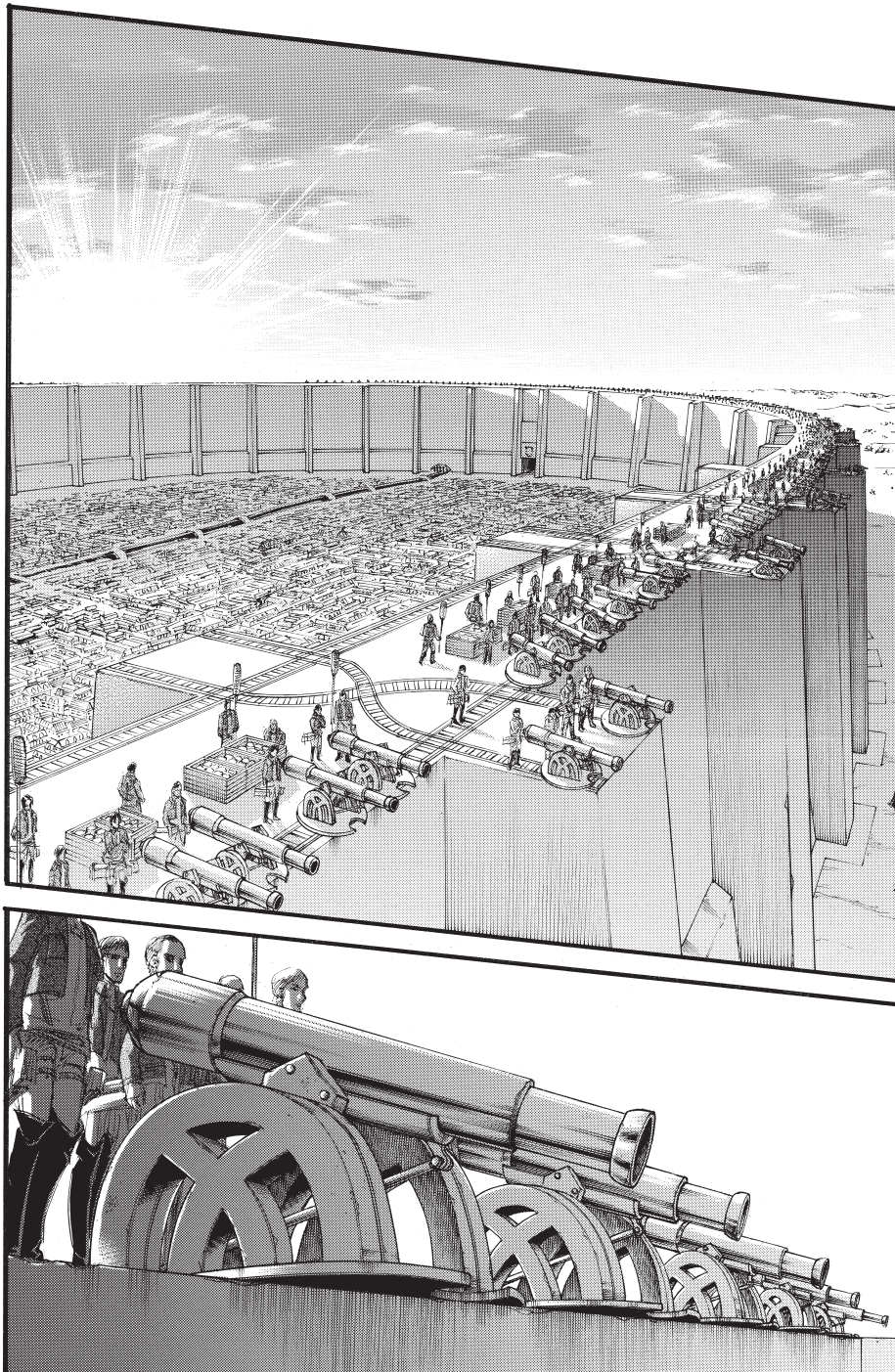

EVENTUALLY, IT'D REACH THE ROYAL CAPITAL OF MITRAS, WHICH HAS THE GREATEST POPULATION DENSITY, AND HUMANITY WOULD BE DEALT A RUINOUS BLOW.

...WHAT?
IN OTHER WORDS...
...OUR ONLY OPTION IS TO TAKE THAT TITAN OUT HERE, AT THE WALL AROUND ORVUD DISTRICT.
AND TO DO THAT, WE NEED A LARGE POPULATION OF CITIZENS TO ACT AS BAIT.

OF COURSE, THAT DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT THAT OUR FIRST DUTY AS SOLDIERS IS TO PROTECT THE LIVES OF THE PEOPLE.
WE WILL DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO KEEP EVEN A SINGLE CITIZEN FROM BEING KILLED, EVEN IF WE DO FAIL TO STOP THE TARGET.
TELL THE PEOPLE OF THE DISTRICT AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS THAT AN EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILL IS BEING HELD.
WE WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO MOVE THEM IN OR OUT OF ORVUD QUICKLY DEPENDING ON THE SITUATION.

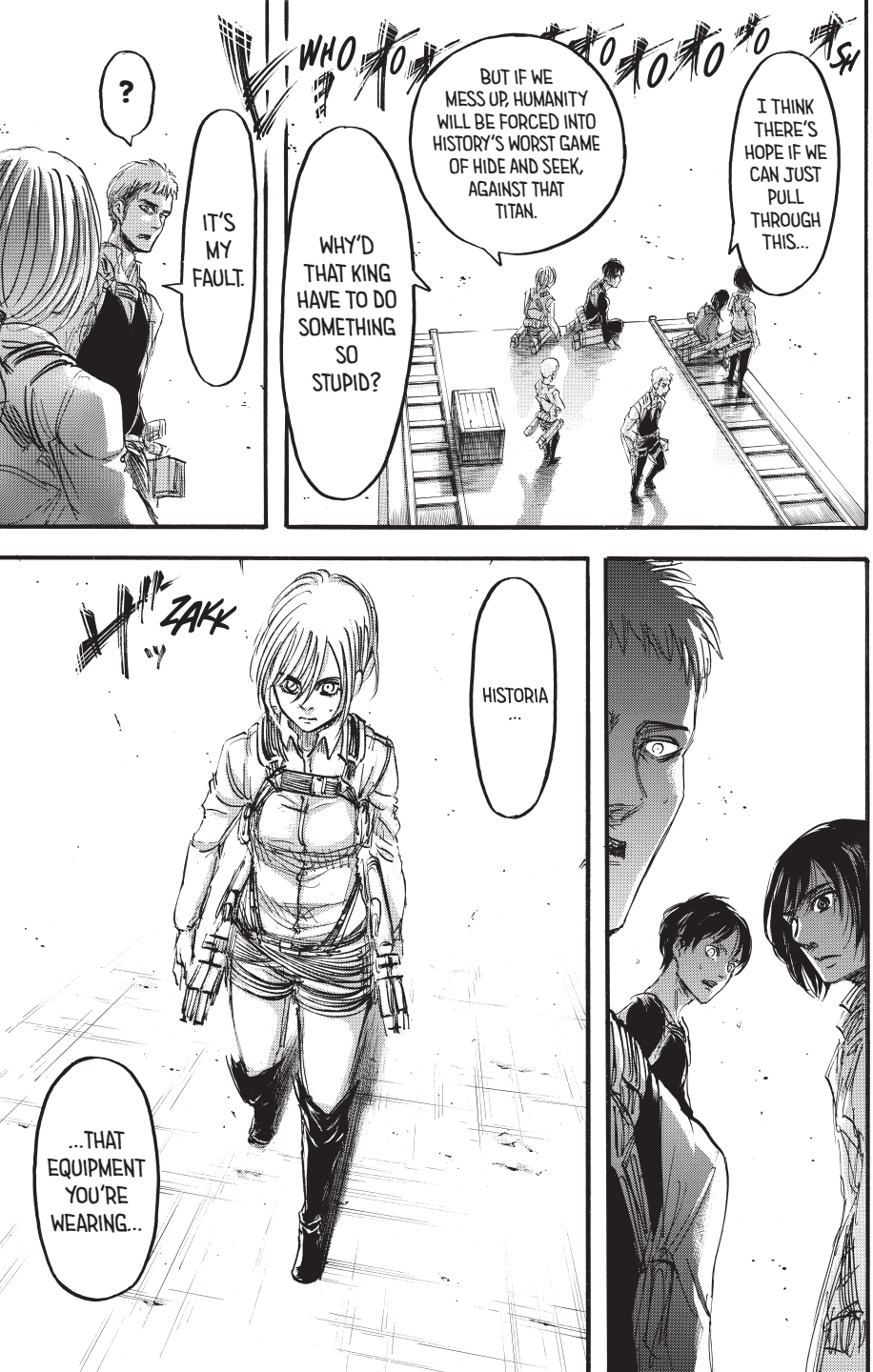

I GUESS... WE HAVE NO CHOICE.
THIS TITAN IS BIGGER THAN ANYTHING WE'VE SEEN BEFORE.
BUT THAT MEANS IT'S ALSO A BIG, SLOW TARGET.
THE CANNONS MOUNTED ON TOP OF THE WALL SHOULD BE EXTREMELY EFFECTIVE AGAINST IT, BUT...
...IF SOMEHOW THAT STILL DOESN'T DEFEAT IT...
WE WILL HAVE TO MAKE FULL USE OF THE POWER OF THE SURVEY CORPS.



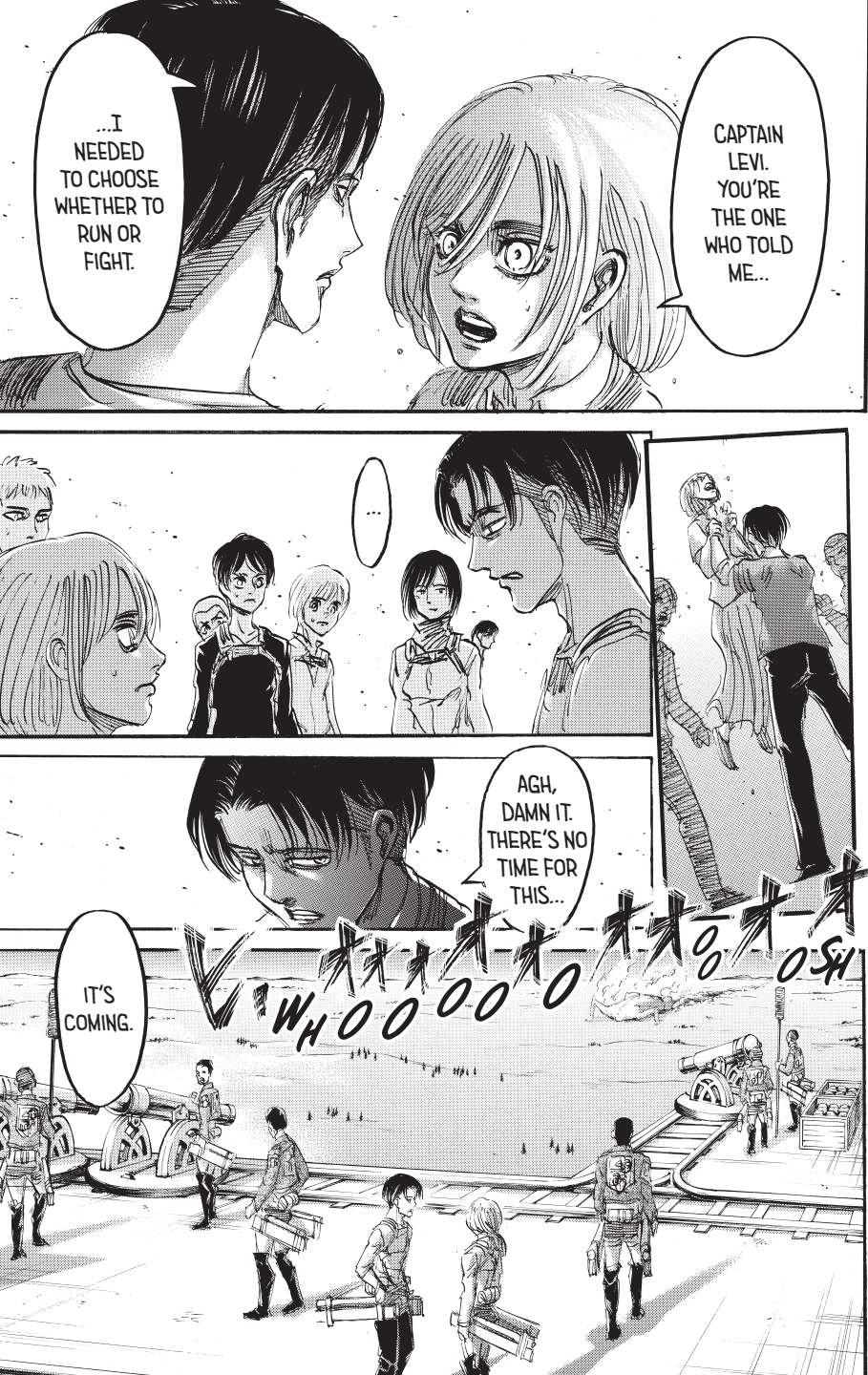


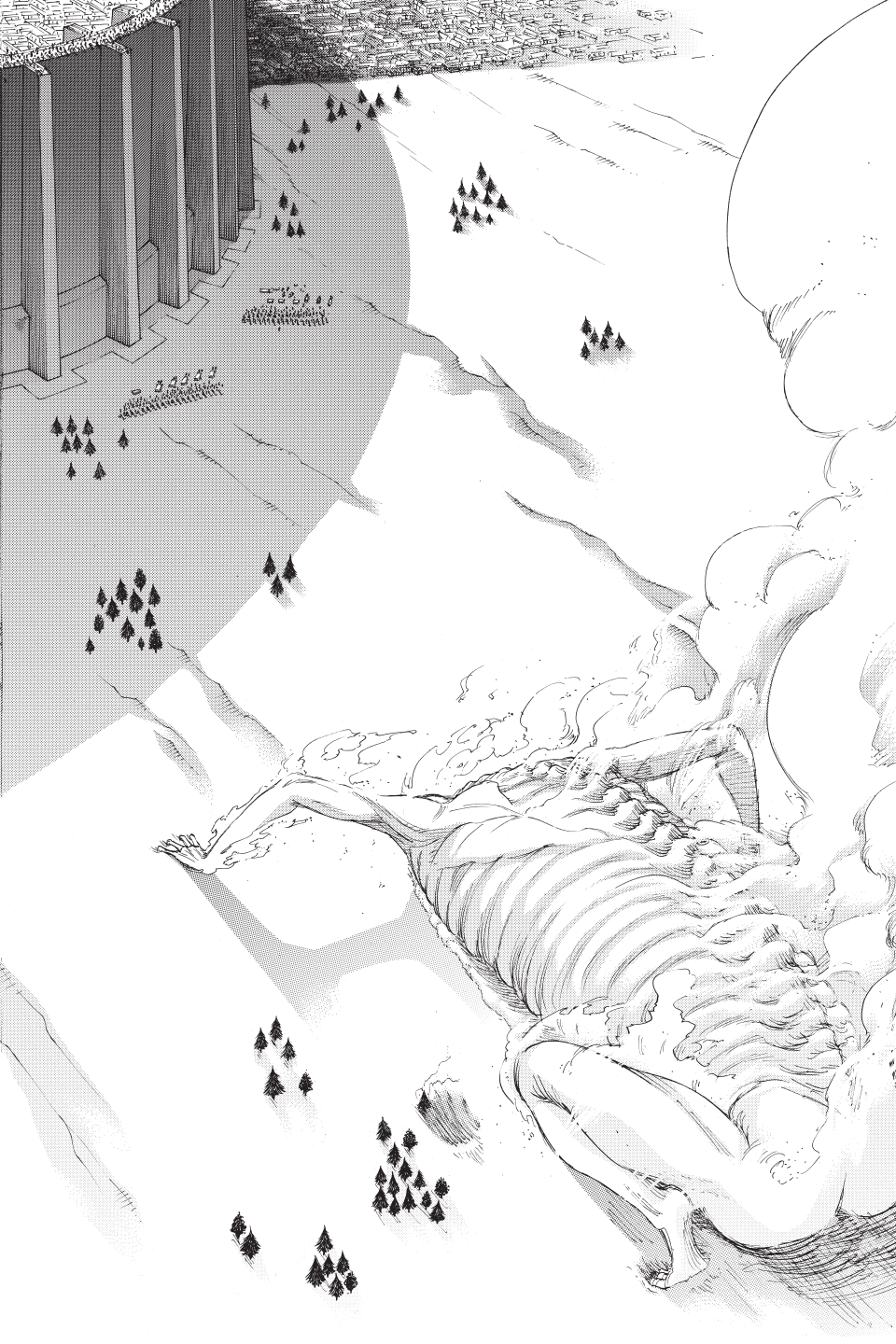
AN EVACUATION DRILL? REALLY...?
THEY'RE WAKING US UP THIS EARLY IN THE MORNING?
WHOOOOOOOOSH
IT WOULDN'T SURPRISE ME IF A RIOT BROKE OUT TODAY.
YEAH. AFTER ALL, THE ROYAL GOVERNMENT WAS JUST TAKEN OVER BY THE MILITARY.

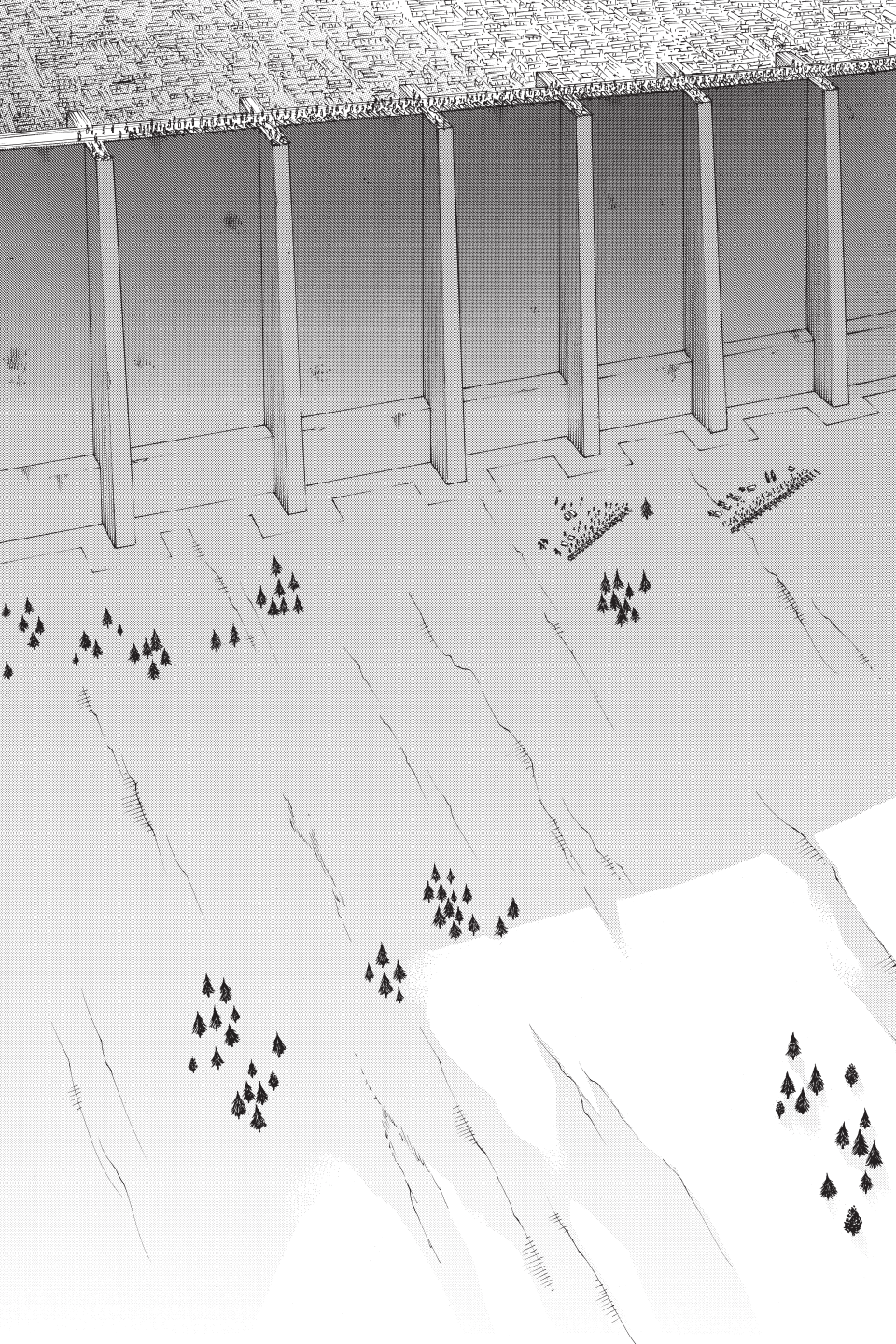
I'M JUST NOT HUNGRY ...
YEAH ...
YOU HAVEN'T EATEN ANYTHING. ARE YOU OKAY...?
SASHA ?
YEAH. IT COULD BE BECAUSE WE WERE KILLING PEOPLE LEFT AND RIGHT UNTIL JUST NOW.
I'M NOT, EITH-ER.
IS SOME-THING WRONG WITH YOU...?
FOR REAL ...?!
...AND TO THINK THAT THIS DAY STILL ISN'T OVER AFTER ALL OF IT...
A LOT'S HAP-PENED, EREN ...
WHAT ?!
...


?
IT'S MY FAULT.
WHY'D THAT KING HAVE TO DO SOMETHING SO STUPID?
BUT IF WE MESS UP, HUMANITY WILL BE FORCED INTO HISTORY'S WORST GAME OF HIDE AND SEEK, AGAINST THAT TITAN.
I THINK THERE'S HOPE IF WE CAN JUST PULL THROUGH THIS...
ZAKK
HISTORIA ...
...THAT EQUIPMENT YOU'RE WEARING...

...WAIT, YOU CAN'T BE HERE!
HEY.
HE'S RIGHT.
ZAKK
ZAKK
YOU CAN'T TAKE PART IN THIS BATTLE.
I THOUGHT I ORDERED YOU TO WAIT IN A SAFE PLACE.
WHAT ARE YOU THINK-ING?
I'M HERE FOR A SHOWDOWN WITH MY OWN FATE.
...HUH?


CAPTAIN LEVI. YOU'RE THE ONE WHO TOLD ME...
...I NEEDED TO CHOOSE WHETHER TO RUN OR FIGHT.
...
AGH, DAMN IT. THERE'S NO TIME FOR THIS...
WHOOOOOOOOOSH
IT'S COMING.

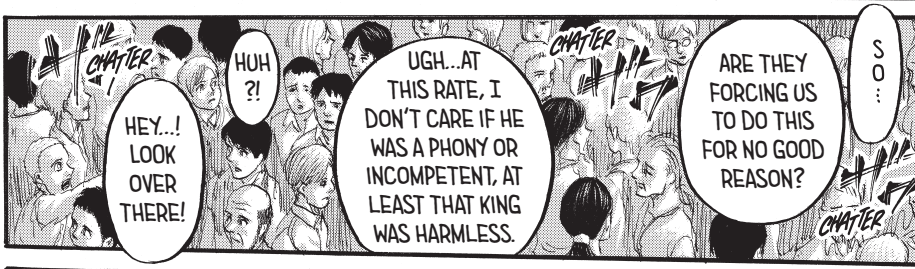


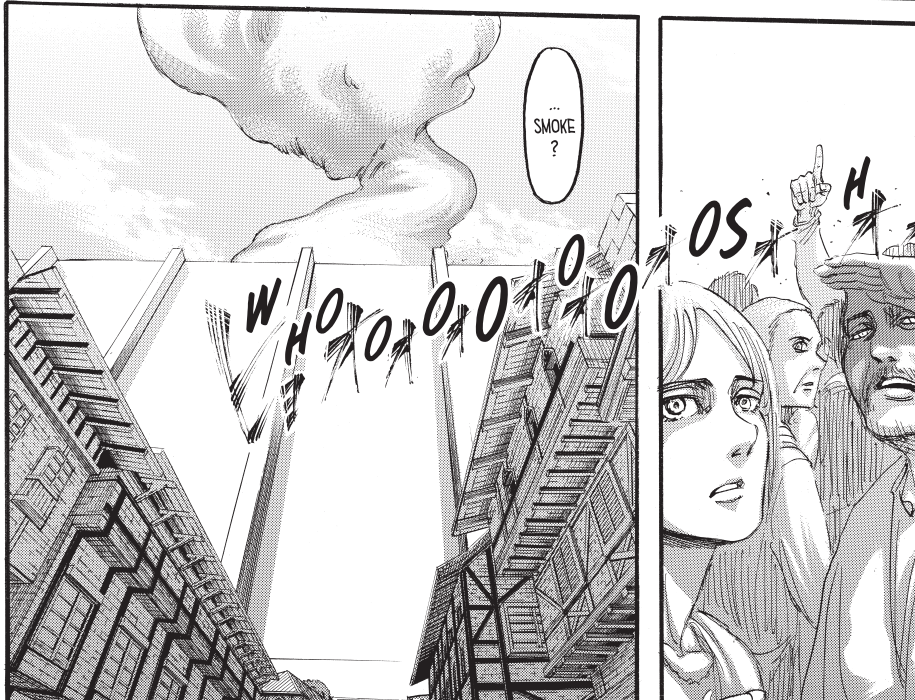


ATTACK
on TITAN

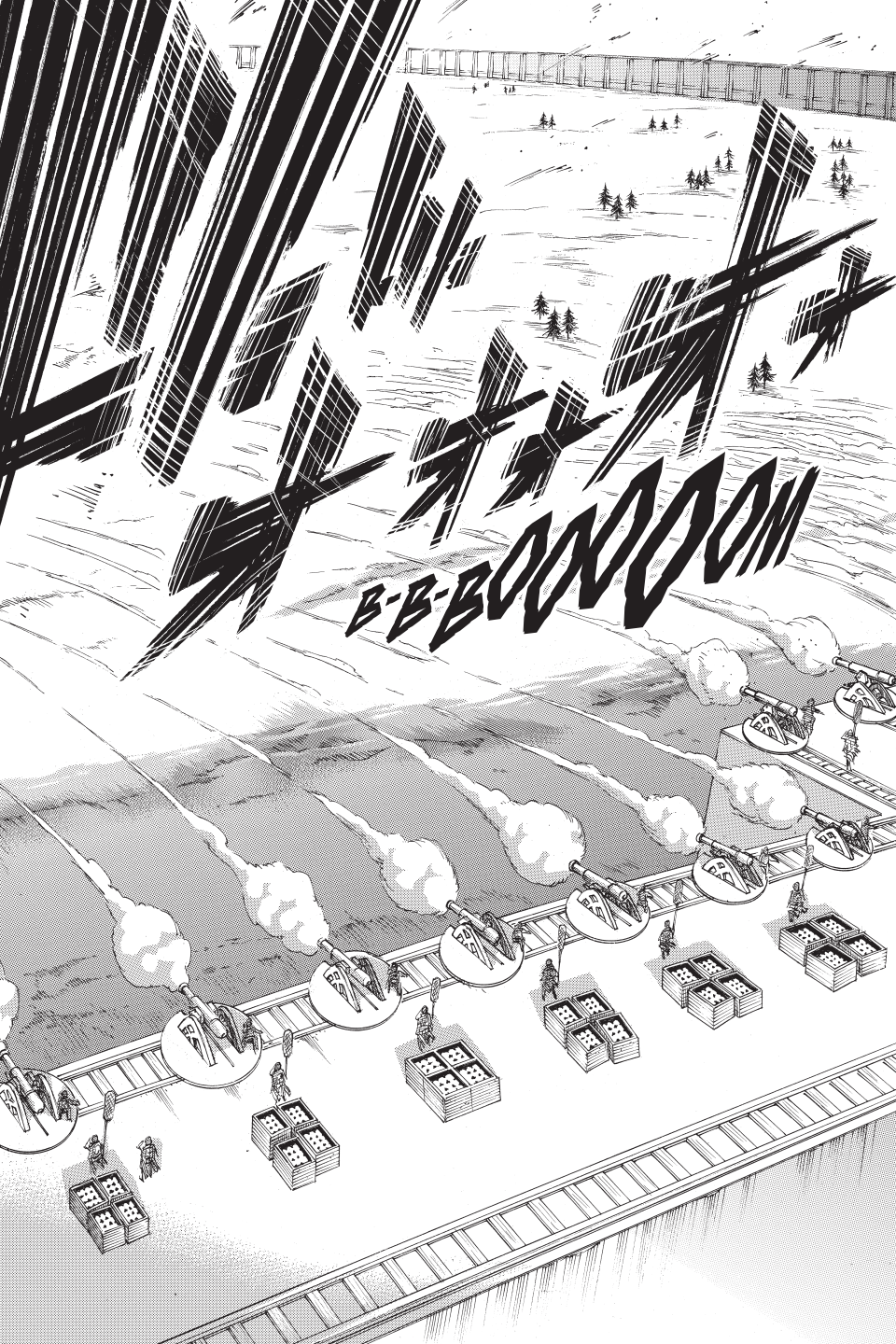
MODELS OF TITANS, AS WELL AS CANNONS, WILL BE USED IN THIS DRILL.
IT IS A LARGE-SCALE EXERCISE, AND SOME PARTS OF IT WILL LIKELY SHOCK YOU.
HOWEVER, PLEASE...
DO NOT PANIC.
STAY CALM AND FOLLOW OUR ORDERS.
EX-CUSE ME.
I'M GOING TO HAVE TO LEAVE TO BEGIN PREPARING MY STORE FOR THE DAY.
THERE'S NO WAY YOU'LL BE HAVING ANY CUSTOMERS TODAY. TAKE THE DAY OFF.
EX-CUSE ME, LASS?!
CHATTER
CHATTER
A TRAINING EXERCISE INSIDE THE WALLS TO THE NORTH? WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?
THE MILITARY JUST CAPTURED THE ROYAL CAPITAL, AND NOW THIS? THERE'S GOTTA BE A CONNEC-TION.
EX-PLAIN YOUR-SELF!

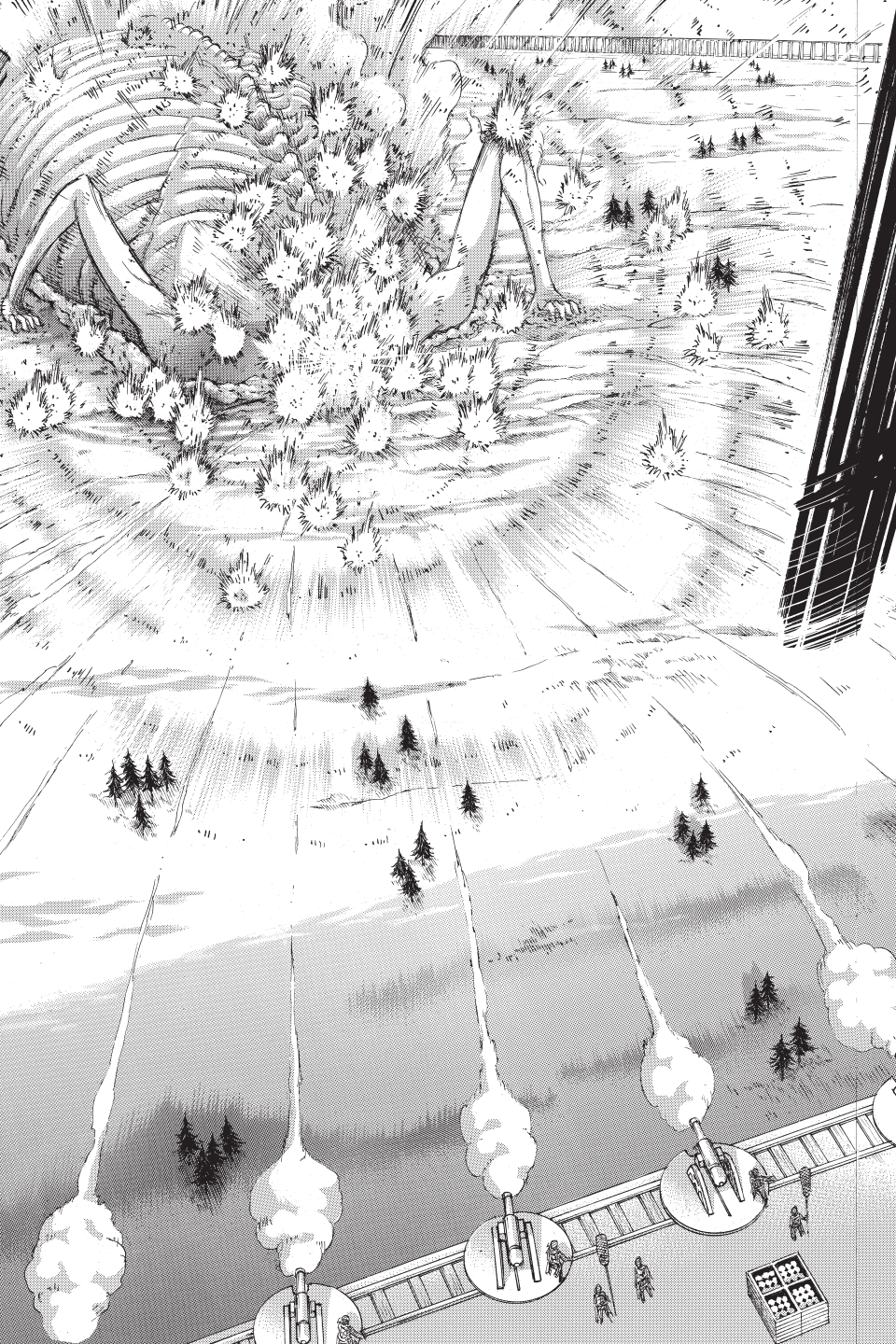
CHATTER
CHATTER
CHATTER
THEY'RE SAYING, "NOW THAT THE FAKE KING IS GONE, WE'RE YOUR NEW MASTERS."
THE MILITARY IS TRYING TO SHOW OFF ITS POWER TO THE PEOPLE.


CHATTER
CHATTER
CHATTER
HEY...! LOOK OVER THERE!
HUH ?!
UGH...AT THIS RATE, I DON'T CARE IF HE WAS A PHONY OR INCOMPETENT, AT LEAST THAT KING WAS HARMLESS.
ARE THEY FORCING US TO DO THIS FOR NO GOOD REASON?
SO...

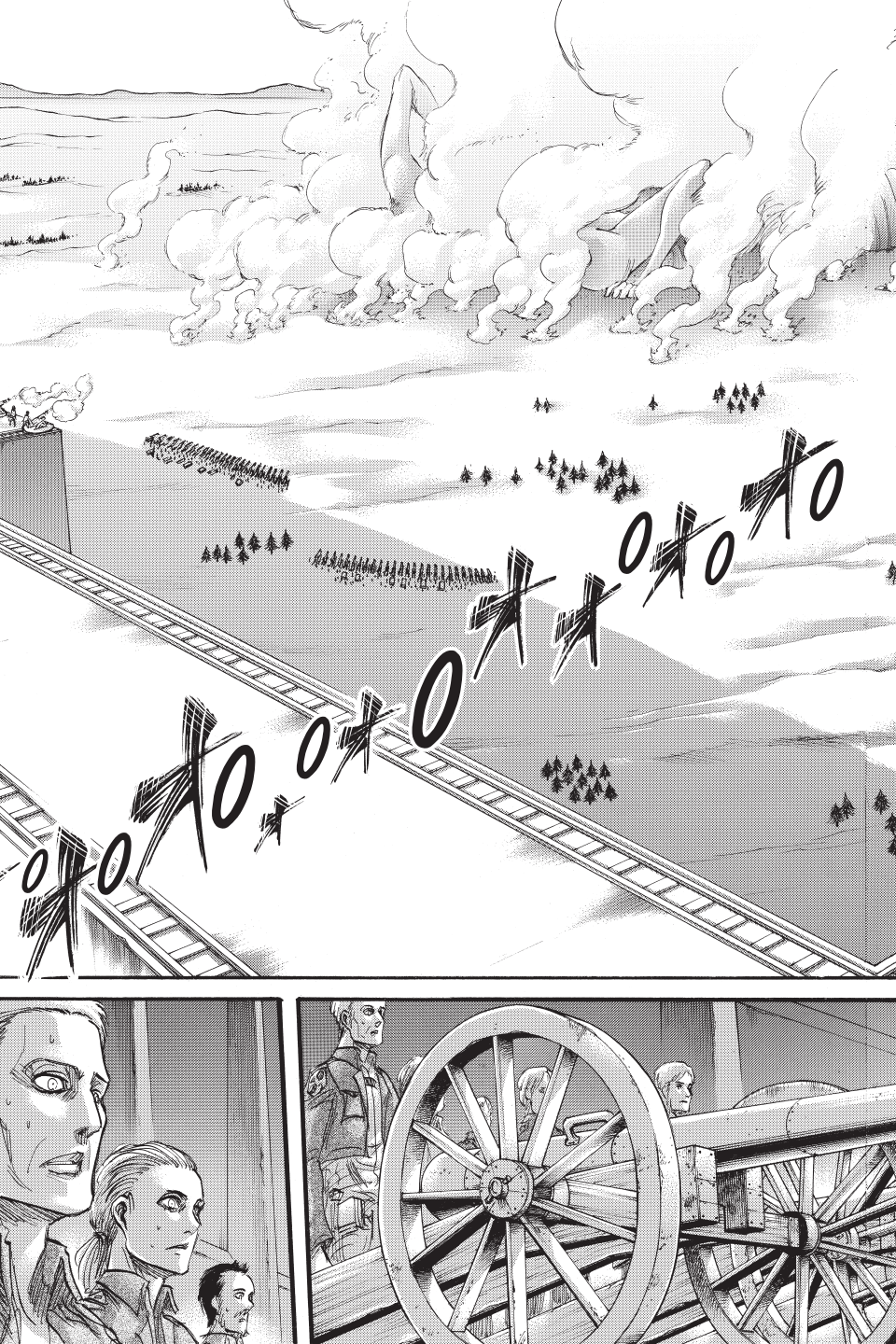

... SMOKE ?
WHOOOOOOOOOOSH

Episode 68: Ruler of the Walls


B-B-BOOOOOM



HOW'D HE LIKE THAT ?
...

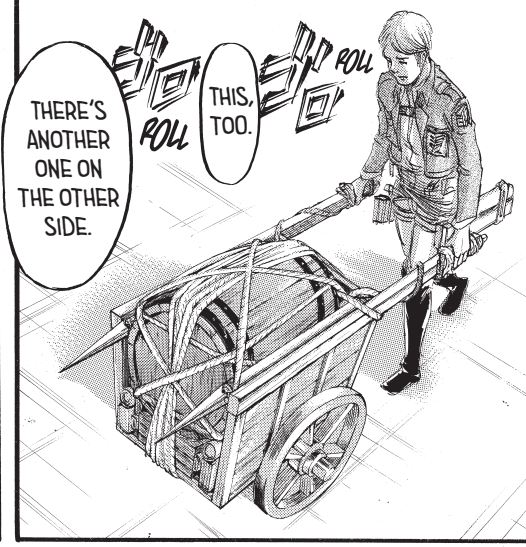


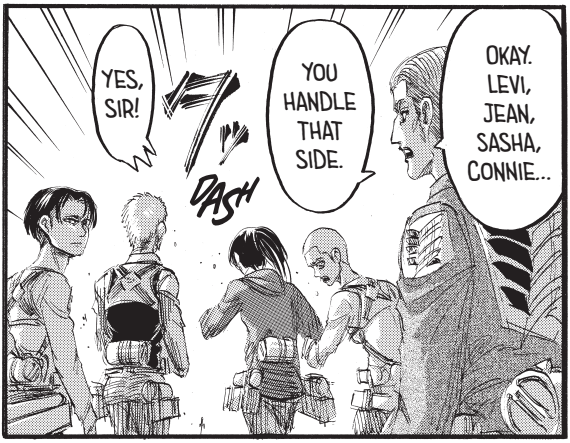
GRRRN
GRRRN

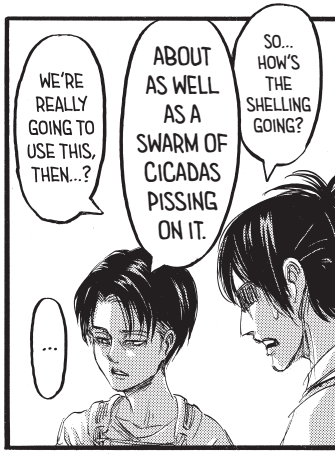
NGH…
FIREEE!!
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOM
THE GROUND CANNONS SEEM TO HAVE EVEN LESS OF AN EFFECT.
OF COURSE…
BOOMBOOMBOOM
BOOMBOOM
THE CANNONS ON THE WALL HAVE A MUCH BETTER ANGLE, AND THEY DIDN'T DO SHIT.
WHAT'S GOING ON?

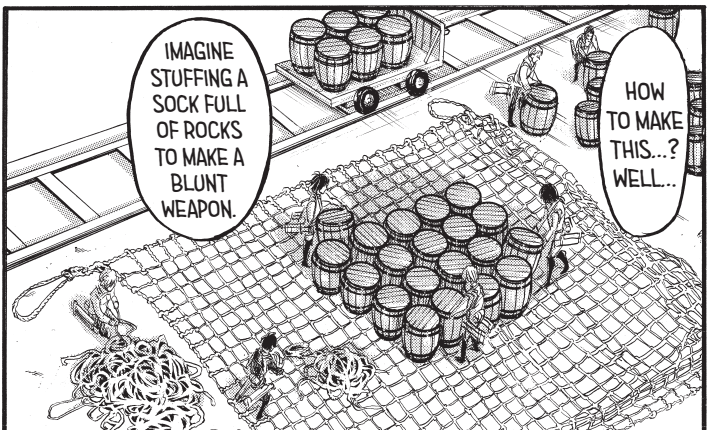
LOOK, THIS IS WITHOUT A DOUBT THE BEST FIGHTING FORCE WE COULD MUSTER.
BESIDES WHICH, THIS IS THE INTERIOR, ON THE NORTH SIDE... THEY'RE NOT GOING TO BE LIKE THE WALL ROSE GARRISON ON THE SOUTHERN FRONT.
THE TROOPS, THE WEAPONS, THE COMMAND STRUCTURE... IT'S ALL BEEN SCRAPED TOGETHER.
WHOOOOOOOOOOSH
JUST LIKE EVERYTHING YOU COME UP WITH.
AFTER ALL, THE SURVEY CORPS'S STRATEGY HERE IS NOTHING MORE THAN A GAMBLE, ANYWAY.
YES... I UNDERSTAND THAT VERY WELL.
WE STILL NEED TO PUT IT TOGETHER.
BOOM
ALL THE GUNPOWDER I COULD GET, ROPES, AND A NET.
I BROUGHT IT!!
HIS ROLL ROLL
ERWIN!

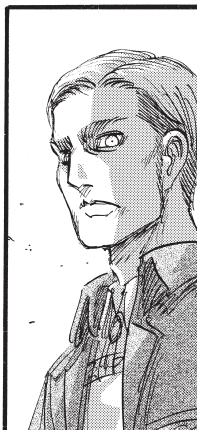
THE TRIGGERS ARE LOCKED, SO ONCE YOU FIRE IT, IT'LL KEEP REELING ITSELF IN, JUST LIKE MANEUVERING GEAR.


THERE'S ANOTHER ONE ON THE OTHER SIDE.
THIS, TOO.
ROLL
ROLL


YES, SIR!
DASH
YOU HANDLE THAT SIDE.
OKAY. LEVI, JEAN, SASHA, CONNIE...

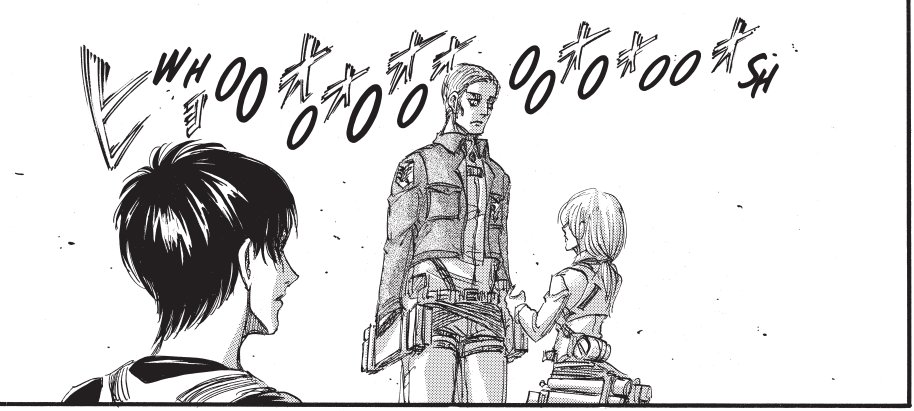

WE'RE REALLY GOING TO USE THIS, THEN...?
ABOUT AS WELL AS A SWARM OF CICADAS PISSING ON IT.
SO... HOW'S THE SHELLING GOING?
...

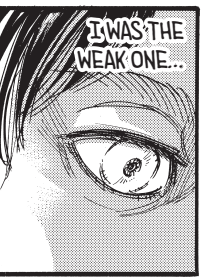

IMAGINE STUFFING A SOCK FULL OF ROCKS TO MAKE A BLUNT WEAPON.
HOW TO MAKE THIS...? WELL...

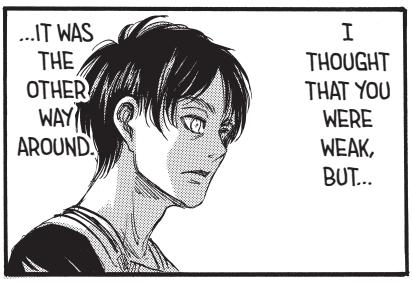


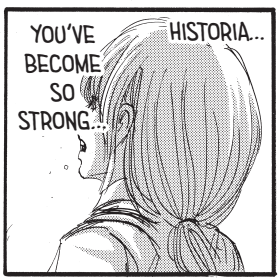
IF I MAY...
HISTORIA... IN THE EVENT WE SURVIVE THIS...
...YOU'RE GOING TO BE THE QUEEN WHO RULES THE WORLD INSIDE THE WALLS.
NATURALLY, IT'S A PROBLEM FOR YOU TO BE ON THE FRONT LINES LIKE THIS.
I HAVE A QUESTION FOR **YOU.**
DO YOU THINK THE PEOPLE ARE SO NAÏVE THEY'D OBEY A RULER IN NAME ONLY?
...

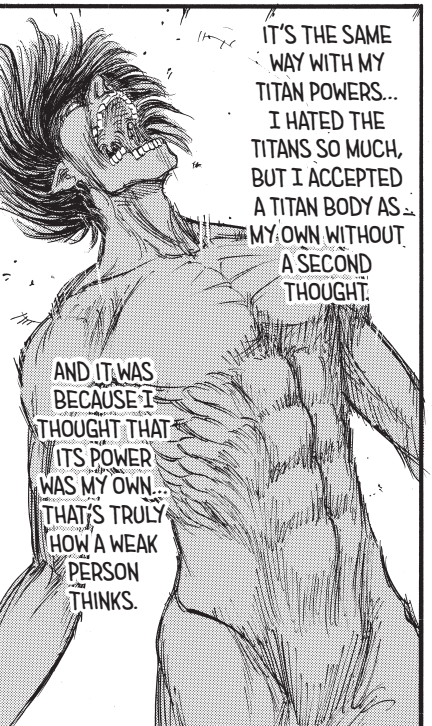
I HAVE MY OWN THOUGHTS ON THAT.
I'VE ASSIGNED MYSELF A MISSION I HAVE TO CARRY OUT.
THAT'S WHY I'M HERE NOW.
FIRE!!
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM


WHOOOOOOOOOSH

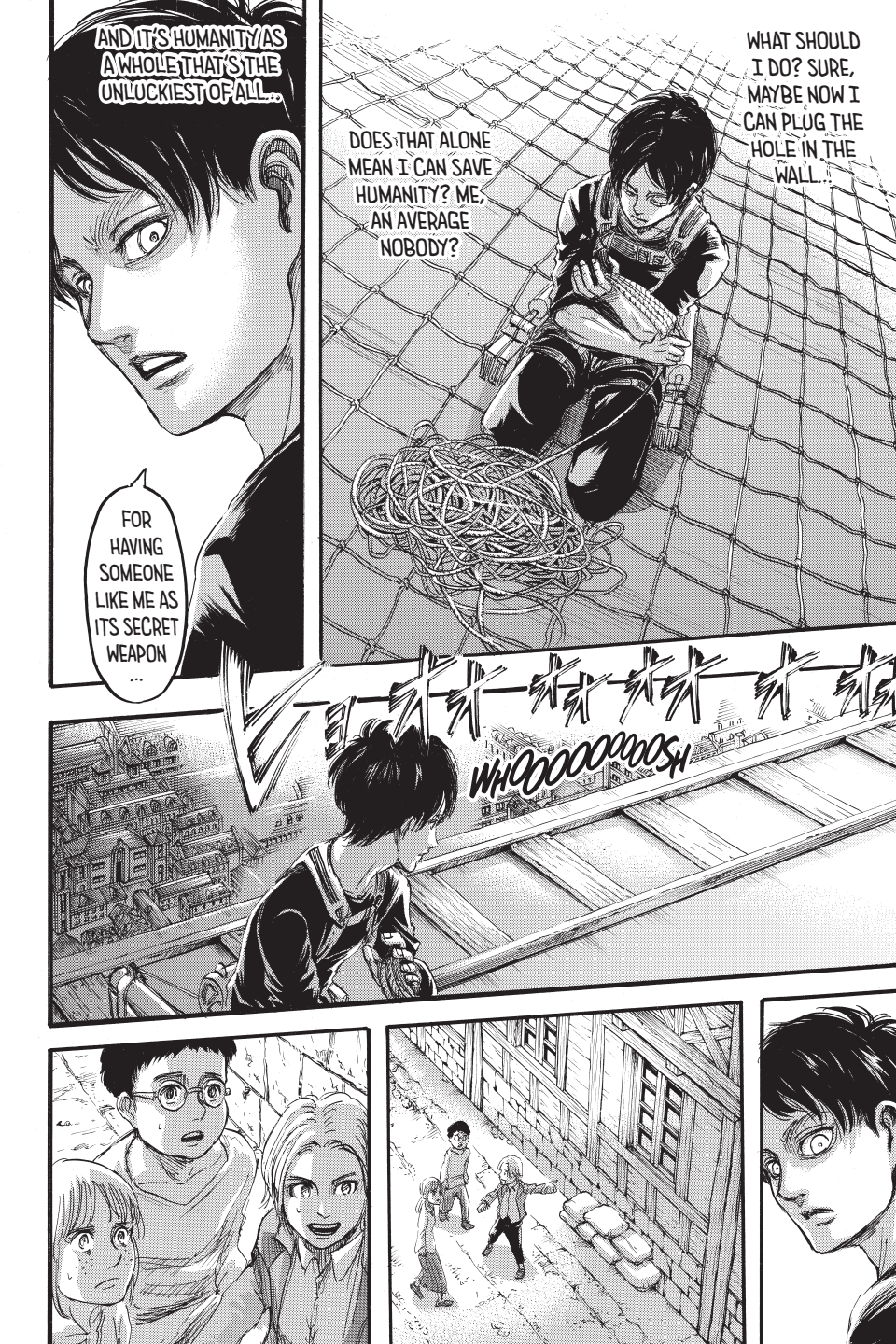

I WAS THE WEAK ONE...


...IT WAS THE OTHER WAY AROUND.
I THOUGHT THAT YOU WERE WEAK, BUT...


HISTORIA...
YOU'VE BECOME SO STRONG...


IT'S THE SAME WAY WITH MY TITAN POWERS... I HATED THE TITANS SO MUCH, BUT I ACCEPTED A TITAN BODY AS MY OWN WITHOUT A SECOND THOUGHT.
AND IT WAS BECAUSE I THOUGHT THAT ITS POWER WAS MY OWN... THAT'S TRULY HOW A WEAK PERSON THINKS.

THAT'S WHY I ACCEPTED IT AS BEING "UNAVOIDABLE" WHEN OTHER SOLDIERS DIED FOR MY SAKE.
SOMEWHERE ALONG THE LINE, I STARTED TO THINK THAT I WAS SPECIAL.


AND IT'S HUMANITY AS A WHOLE THAT'S THE UNLUCKIEST OF ALL...
FOR HAVING SOMEONE LIKE ME AS ITS SECRET WEAPON ...
DOES THAT ALONE MEAN I CAN SAVE HUMANITY? ME, AN AVERAGE NOBODY?
WHAT SHOULD I DO? SURE, MAYBE NOW I CAN PLUG THE HOLE IN THE WALL...
WHOOOOOOOSH

HEY...
HM?
THE KIDS IN THIS TOWN...
THEY ARE ...
...
YEAH ...
...JUST LIKE WE WERE ON THAT DAY...
IF THEY THINK THERE'S NO WAY THAT A TITAN BIGGER THAN THAT WALL IS GOING TO ATTACK THEM TODAY...
...THEN THEY'RE PROBABLY GOING TO SEE THE EXACT SAME THING WE SAW ON THAT DAY.
BUT...
...UNLIKE THAT DAY, THERE ARE SOLDIERS ON TOP OF THE WALL WHO CAN FIGHT BACK.
GRRR
AND WE ARE THOSE SOLDIERS.

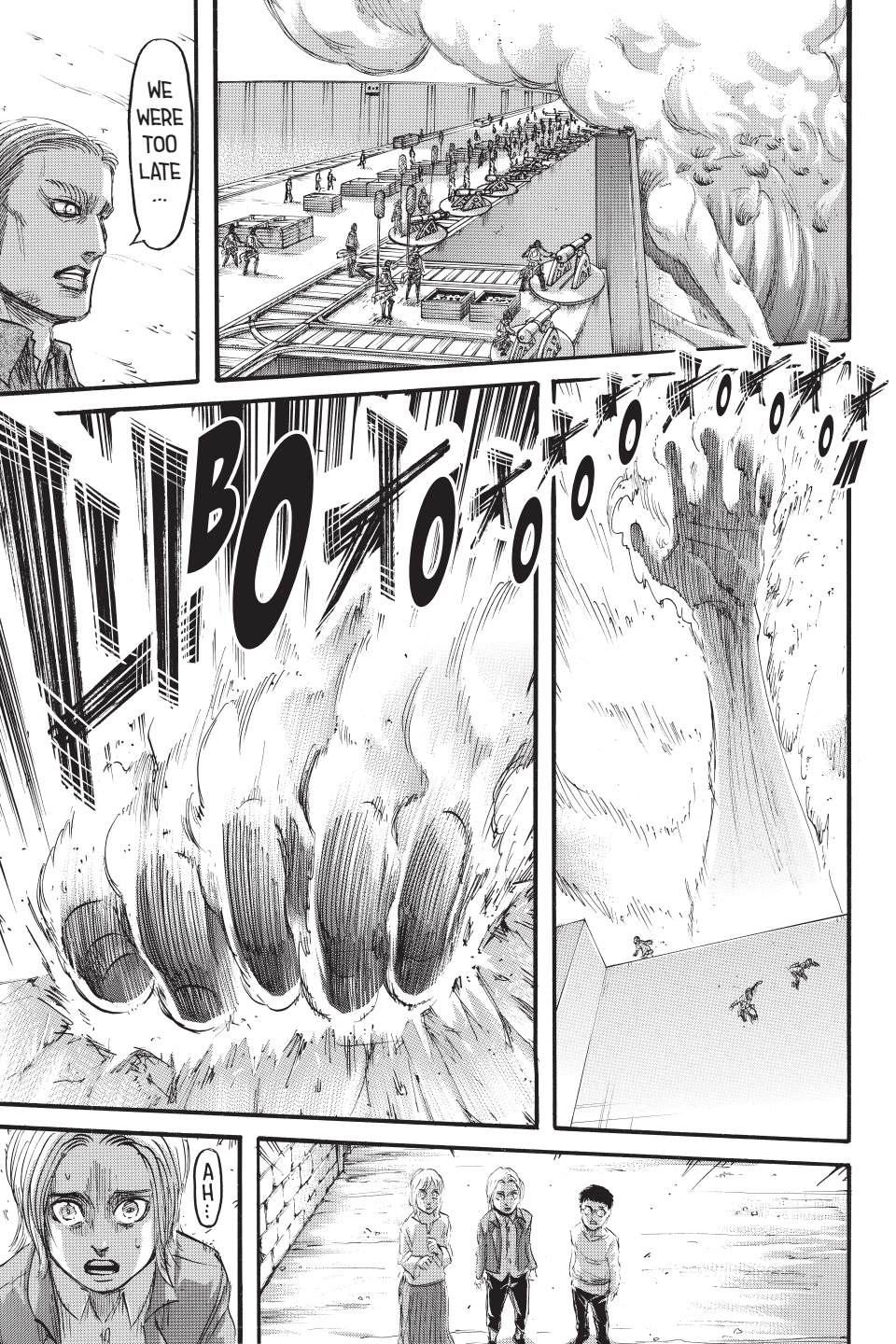
CLUNK
YEAH, LET'S STACK THEM THREE HIGH.

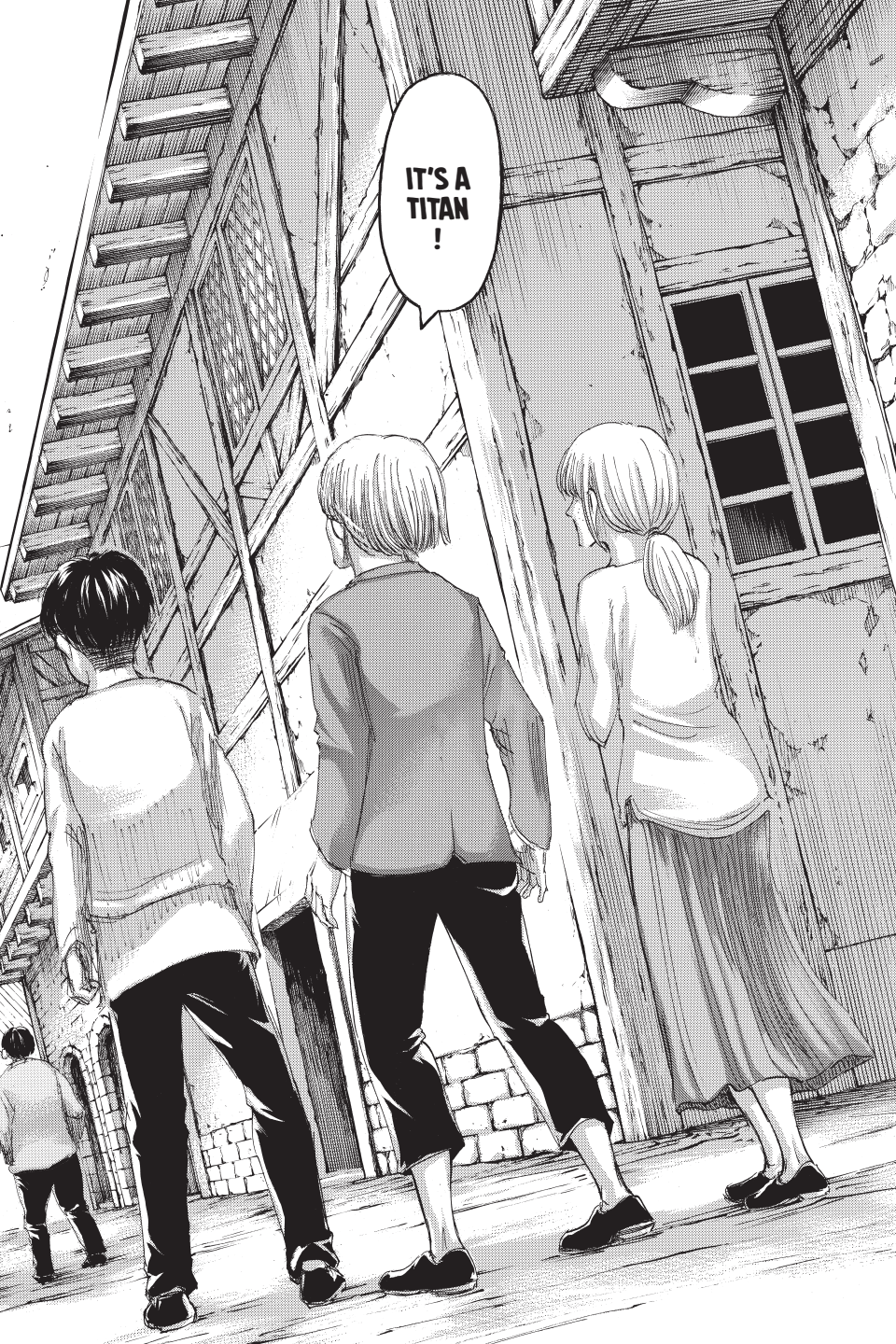
YOUR HANDS NEED TO BE MOVING.
THERE'S NO TIME TO BE STANDING AROUND.
EREN ?
EREN ?!
HEY!
HUH ?!
SKRAK
I HOPE I FINISHED HIM OFF...
NO... I JUST WANTED TO BEAT THE HELL OUT OF A USELESS, PATHETIC BRAT... THAT'S ALL.
IT'S NOT TIME FOR THAT YET.
DID YOU HURT YOURSELF?
GRRRR

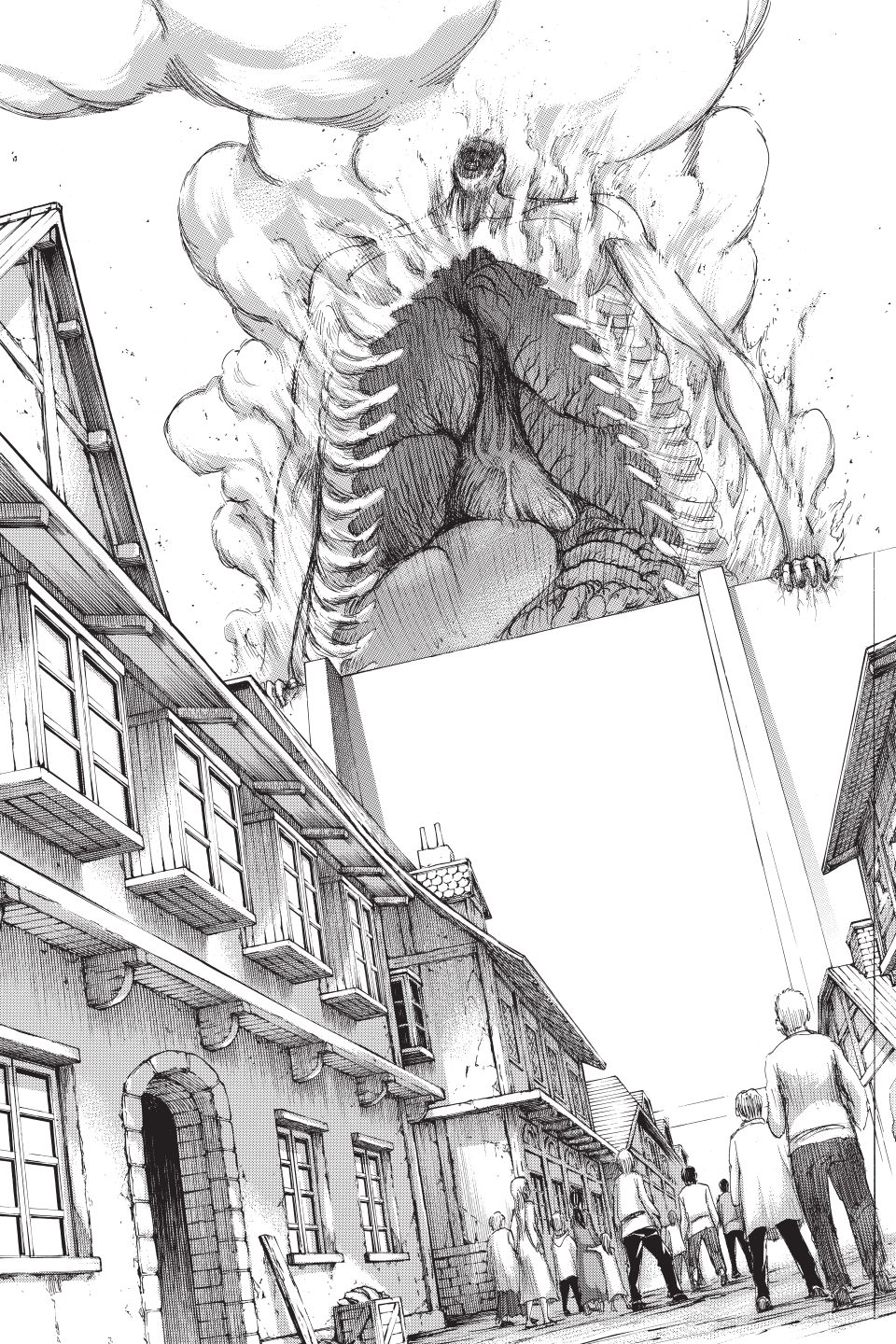
BOOM!!
BOOM!!
BOOM!!
BOOM!!
BOOM!!
BOOM!!
BOOM!!
FIRE!!

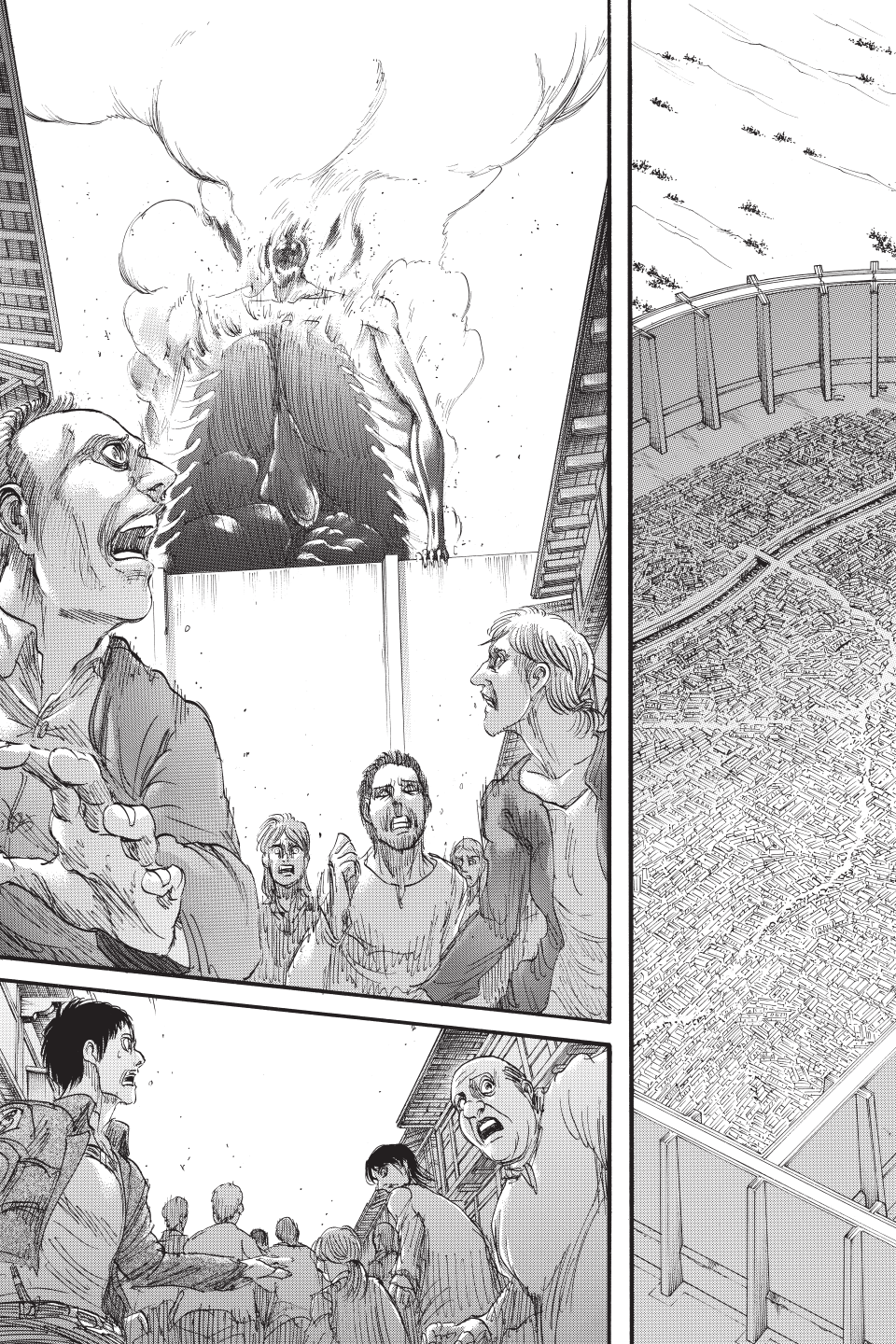
ALL RIGHT!
THE FLESH OF ITS NAPE IS EXPOSED!!
WE'LL FINISH IT OFF WITH THIS NEXT ROUND! HURRY AND RELOAD!!
WHOOOOOOOOSH
HM?!
AH, HOT!!
DAMN IT.
THIS IS BAD.
WHOOOOOOOOSH
THE WIND CHANGED DIRECTION.

BOOM!!
BOOM!!
BOOM!!
GAH...
DIRECTLY BELOW!! FIRE!!
WHOOOOSH
CAPTAIN!! WE CAN'T SEE ANY-THING!!
?!?
BOOM!!


WE WERE TOO LATE ...
BOOO


IT'S A TITAN !





AAAGH!
THUD
UD UD
NO !!
IF YOU ALL MOVE AT ONCE...!
BOOM
SHUT UP!
WAIT, DON'T MOVE UNLESS YOU'RE—
RETREAT!
RETREEEEAT!!
IT'S GOING TO BREAK THROUGH...
DAMN IT...
KONK KONK
IT'S DONE FOR...
PI-OP
THE TOWN I GREW UP IN...

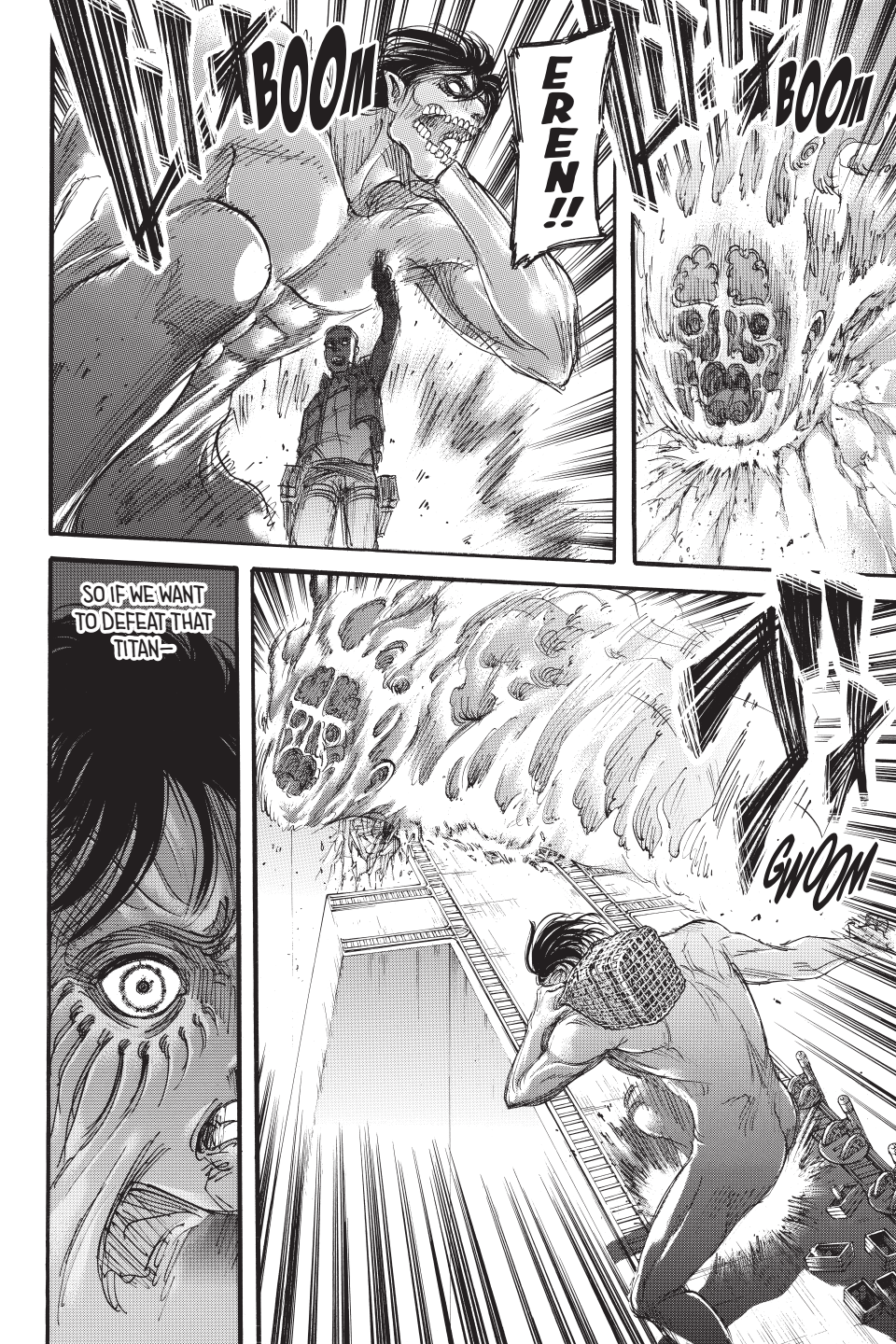
WE'LL TAKE OVER FROM HERE.
GET DOWN THERE, GARRISON.
FLASH
?!
IS THAT ...

A TITAN ?
READY ON YOUR COMMAND !

COM-
MENCE
THE
ATTACK
!!
NOW!

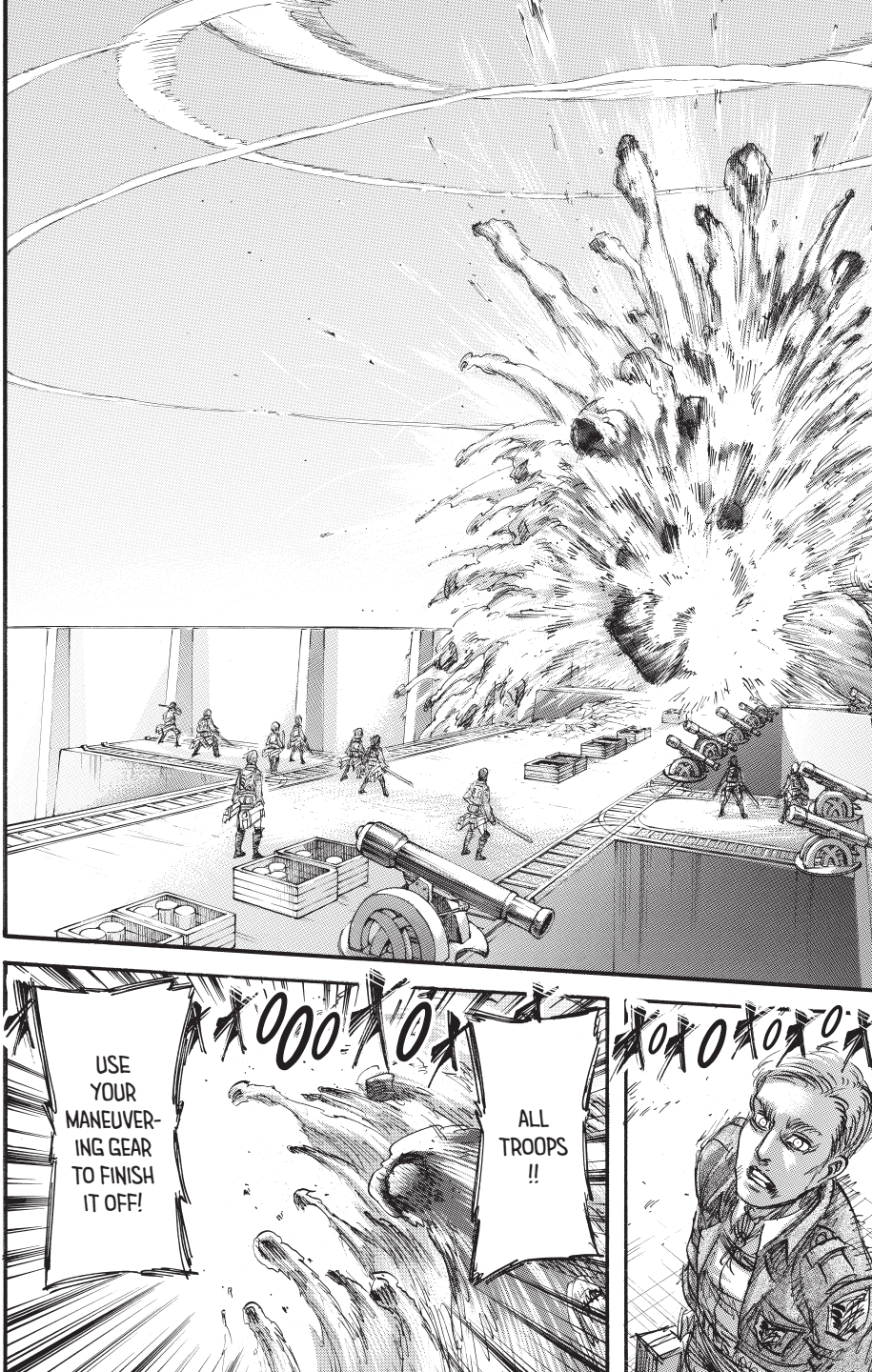
BSSHT
BSSHT
WHOOSH
SKRRR

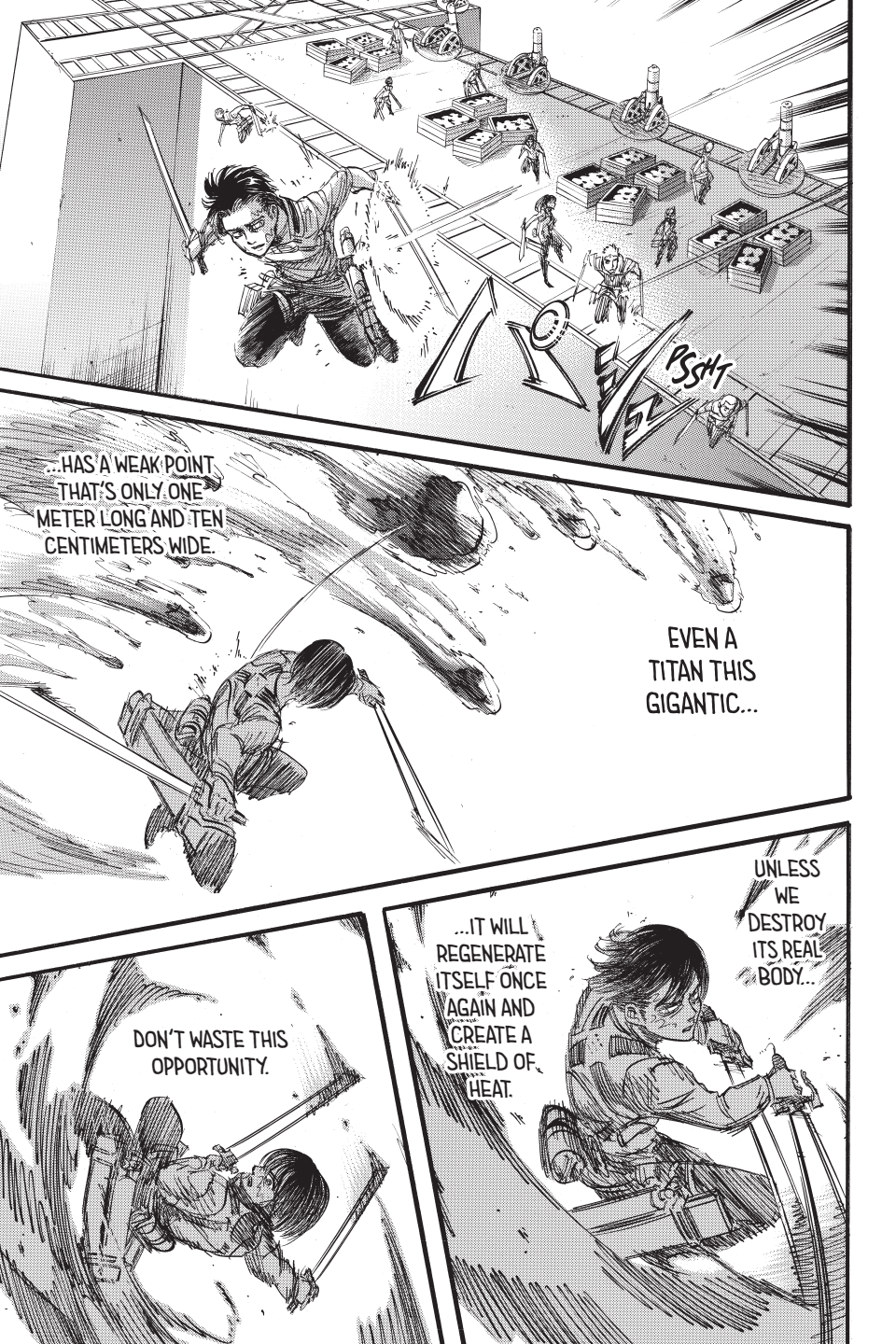
BOOM
OOM
ROOOAR
ALL RIGHT!
IT'S OFF BALANCE!


BOOM
EREN!!
BOOM
SO IF WE WANT TO DEFEAT THAT TITAN—
GWOOM

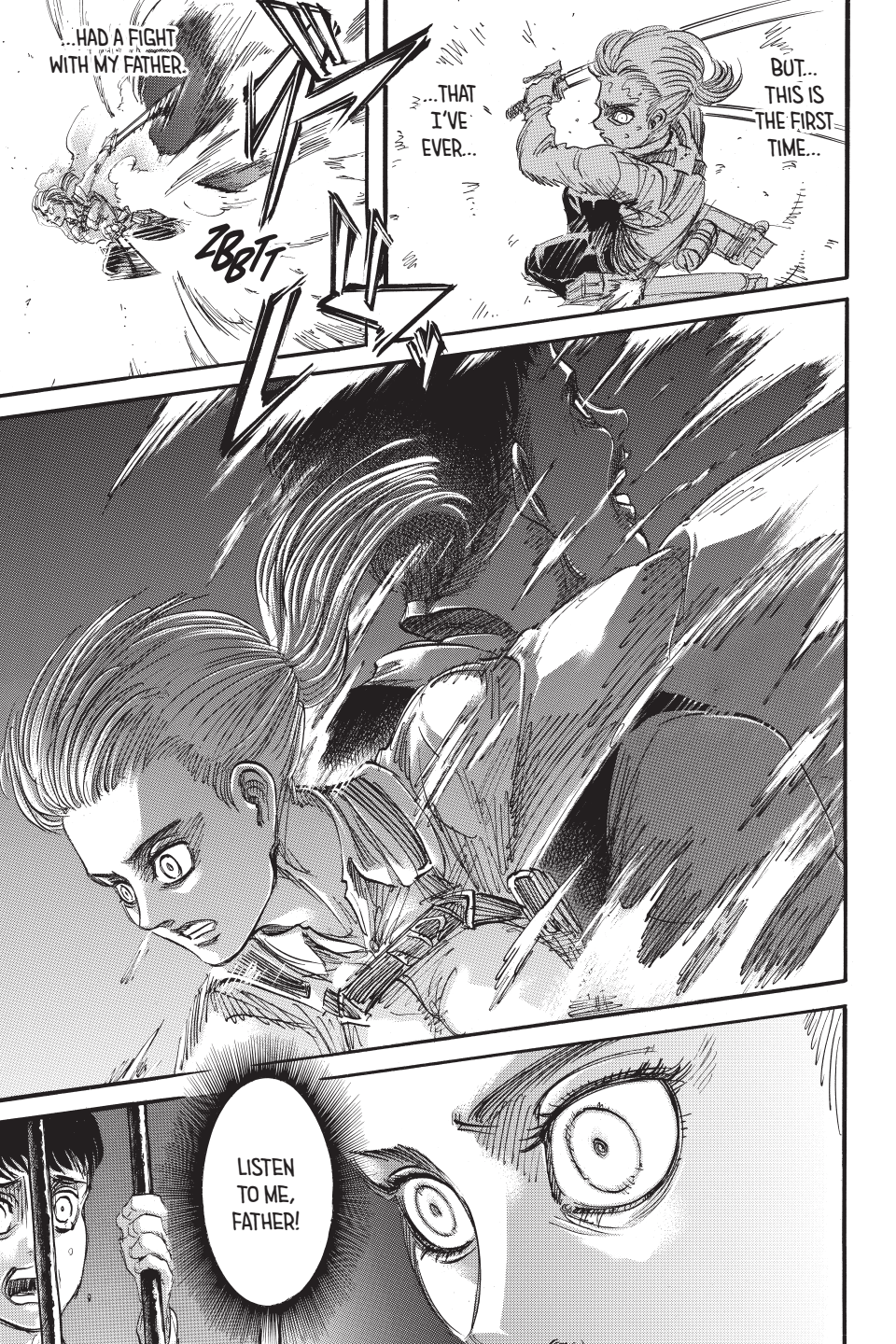
WE NEED TO SHOVE GUNPOWDER INTO ITS MOUTH...
AND HOPE WE GET LUCKY ENOUGH TO BLOW UP ITS NECK?
THAT'S RIGHT.
IF THE TITAN IS HOT ENOUGH, THE GUNPOWDER SHOULD IGNITE AND EXPLODE ON ITS OWN EVEN WITHOUT A DETONATOR.
...IF THE TITAN HAS ITS MOUTH WIDE OPEN LIKE AN IDIOT.
THAT'S RIGHT...WE CAN'T EXPECT A SURFACE EXPLOSION TO WORK.
WE NEED THE EXPLOSION TO COME FROM INSIDE IT.
SCRATCH SCRATCH
I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S TRYING TO BE CAREFUL OR WHAT, BUT THE TARGET IS DRAGGING ITS FACE ALONG THE GROUND AS IT MOVES.
THAT'S WHAT WE'RE GAMBLING ON THIS TIME.
IN OTHER WORDS, IT MAY NOT EVEN HAVE A MOUTH TO OPEN.

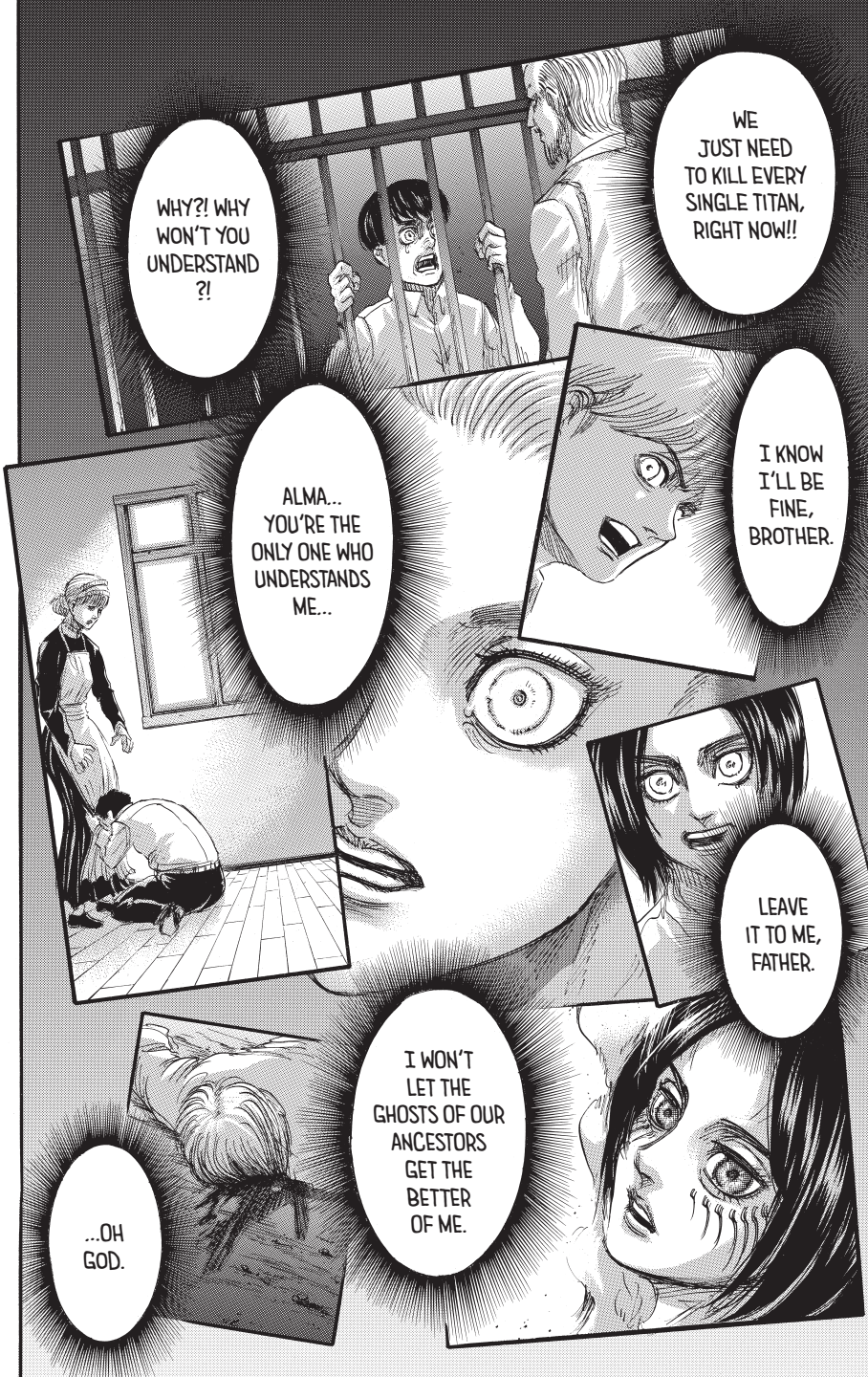
JACKPOT.
GRRT

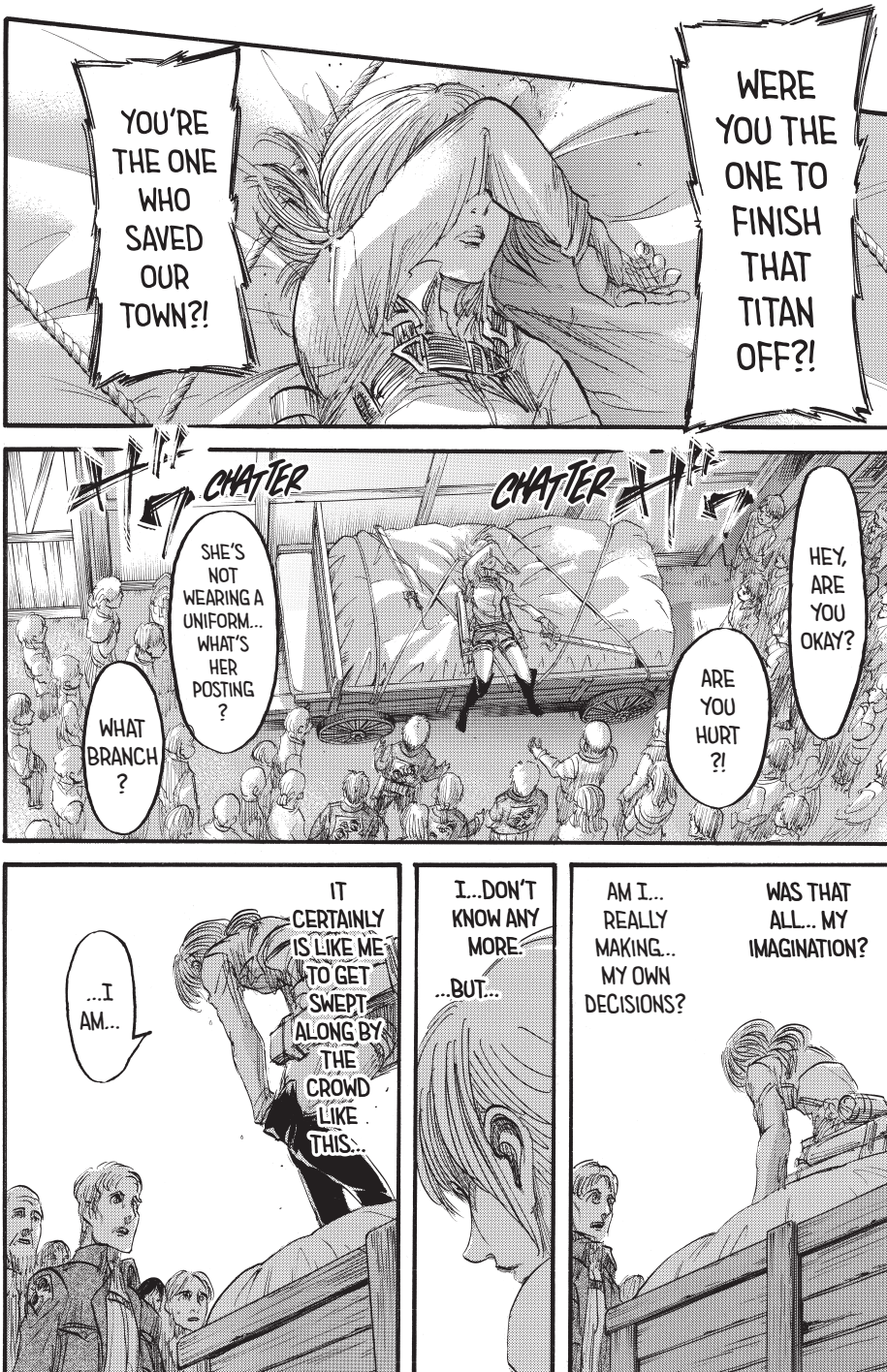

ALL TROOPS !!
USE YOUR MANEUVER-ING GEAR TO FINISH IT OFF!


PSSHT
...HAS A WEAK POINT THAT'S ONLY ONE METER LONG AND TEN CENTIMETERS WIDE.
EVEN A TITAN THIS GIGANTIC...
UNLESS WE DESTROY ITS REAL BODY...
...IT WILL REGENERATE ITSELF ONCE AGAIN AND CREATE A SHIELD OF HEAT.
DON'T WASTE THIS OPPORTUNITY.

!!
DAMN! WHERE IS IT?!
ZBBT
AH !!
WHOOOOOOOOSH
HISTORIA!
I UNDERSTAND YOUR FEELINGS... BUT I CANNOT ALLOW YOU TO FIGHT.
COM-MANDER... PLEASE ...!
THAT SAID...
I DOUBT THERE'D BE ANY WAY FOR ME TO STOP YOU, CONSIDERING THIS BODY OF MINE...
I'M SORRY FOR BEING SO SELFISH.

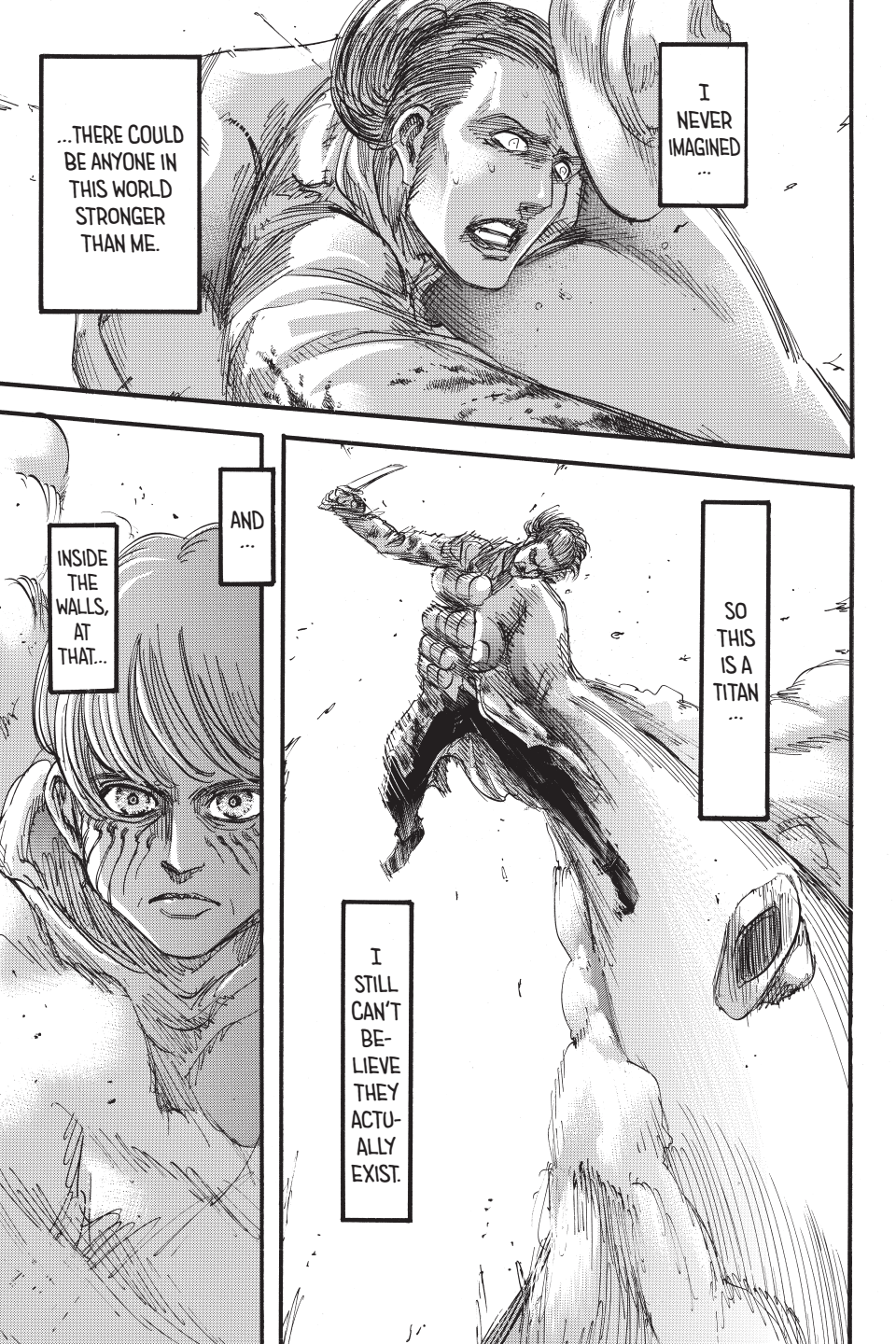

...HAD A FIGHT WITH MY FATHER.
ZBBTT
...THAT I'VE EVER...
BUT... THIS IS THE FIRST TIME...
LISTEN TO ME, FATHER!


WE JUST NEED TO KILL EVERY SINGLE TITAN, RIGHT NOW!!
WHY?! WHY WON'T YOU UNDERSTAND ?!
I KNOW I'LL BE FINE, BROTHER.
ALMA... YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO UNDERSTANDS ME...
LEAVE IT TO ME, FATHER.
I WON'T LET THE GHOSTS OF OUR ANCESTORS GET THE BETTER OF ME.
...OH GOD.

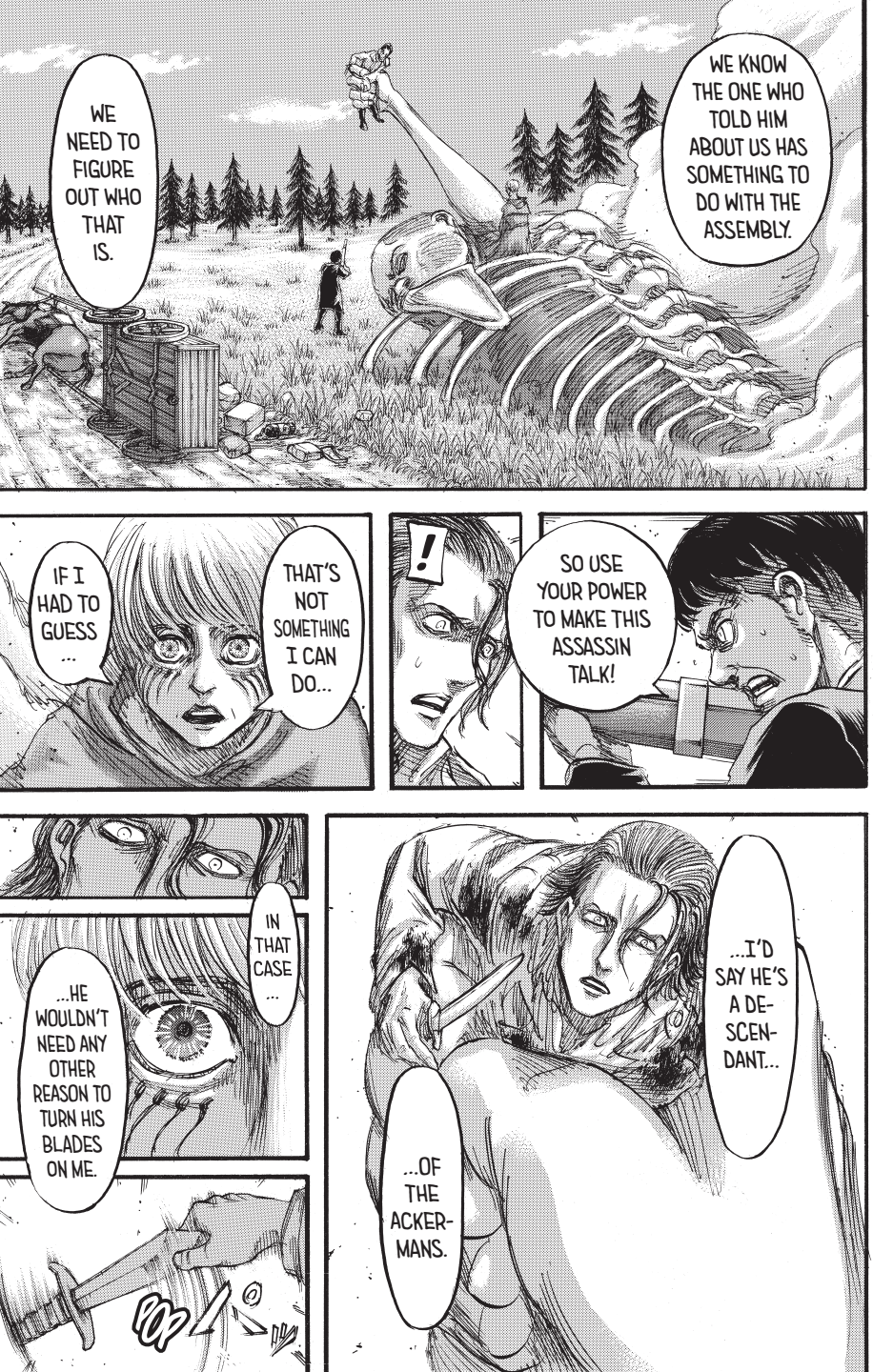

WERE YOU THE ONE TO FINISH THAT TITAN OFF?!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO SAVED OUR TOWN?!
CHATTER
CHATTER
HEY, ARE YOU OKAY?
ARE YOU HURT?!
SHE'S NOT WEARING A UNIFORM... WHAT'S HER POSTING?
WHAT BRANCH?
WAS THAT ALL... MY IMAGINATION?
AM I... REALLY MAKING... MY OWN DECISIONS?
I...DON'T KNOW ANY MORE.
...BUT...
IT CERTAINLY IS LIKE ME TO GET SWEPT ALONG BY THE CROWD LIKE THIS...
...I AM...

I AM HISTORIA REISS.
THE TRUE RULER OF THESE WALLS.

ATTACK
on TITAN


I NEVER IMAGINED ...
...THERE COULD BE ANYONE IN THIS WORLD STRONGER THAN ME.
SO THIS IS A TITAN ...
I STILL CAN'T BE-LIEVE THEY ACTU-ALLY EXIST.
AND ...
INSIDE THE WALLS, AT THAT...

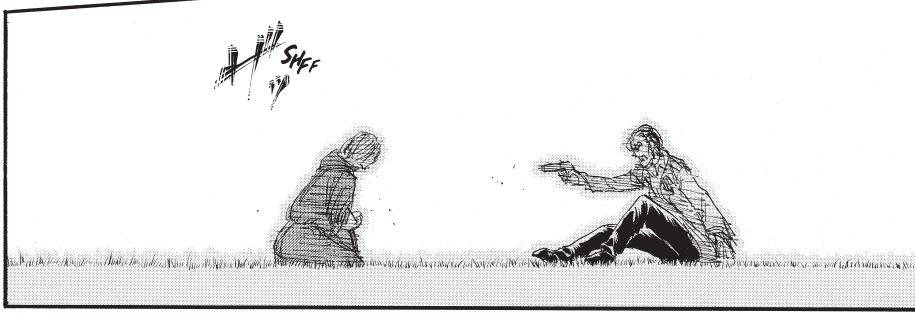
Episode 69: Friends

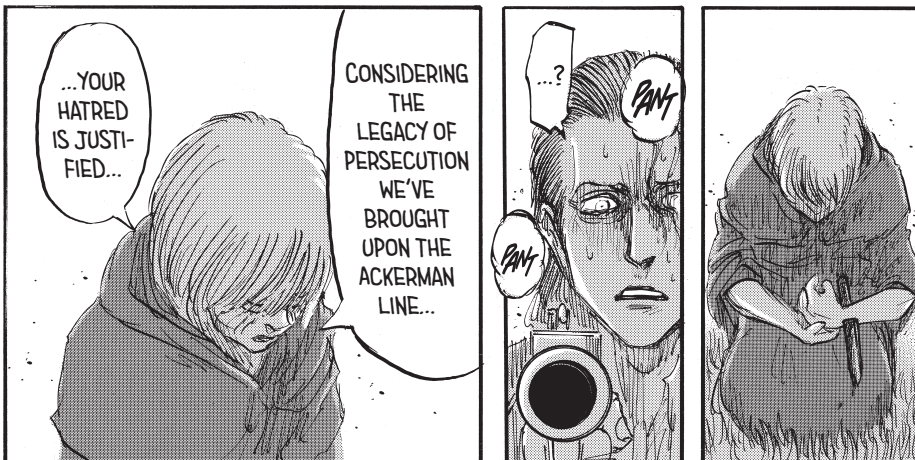

WE NEED TO FIGURE OUT WHO THAT IS.
WE KNOW THE ONE WHO TOLD HIM ABOUT US HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE ASSEMBLY.
IF I HAD TO GUESS ...
THAT'S NOT SOMETHING I CAN DO...
!
SO USE YOUR POWER TO MAKE THIS ASSASSIN TALK!
IN THAT CASE ...
...HE WOULDN'T NEED ANY OTHER REASON TO TURN HIS BLADES ON ME.
...I'D SAY HE'S A DE-SCEN-DANT...
...OF THE ACKER-MANS.

THOK
!!
URI !!
AAGH, DAMMIT!
C'MON, FORGIVE ME! YOU'RE THE REAL KING, RIGHT?
LET GO OF ME!
LEMME GOOOO!!

WHEN FACED WITH SOMEONE OVERWHELMINGLY STRONGER THAN ME, I WAS WEAK.
I PROMISE I'LL SET UP A PROPER AMBUSH NEXT TIME!!
LET ME GET AWAY AND GIVE ME ONE MORE CHANCE!!
VIOLENCE WAS ALL I EVER HAD, BUT AT THAT MOMENT, IT HAD FAILED ME.
WE CAN BLAME THIS ALL ON MY CREATIVE SENSIBILI-TIES!!
AND HONESTLY, I THINK TRYING TO TORTURE YOU TO DEATH, THEN FILLING YOUR SKULL FULL OF SHIT WAS A PRETTY NICE IDEA!
AFTER ALL, IT WAS THE FIRST TIME I'D EVER BEEN IN A SITUATION WHERE SOMEONE COULD LITERALLY CRUSH ME IN HIS GRASP.
HUH?
...?!
THAT'S ...
URI !!
SNAP
LOOKING BACK NOW, I DON'T THINK I EVEN REALLY CARED MUCH ABOUT MY FAMILY'S GRUDGE.

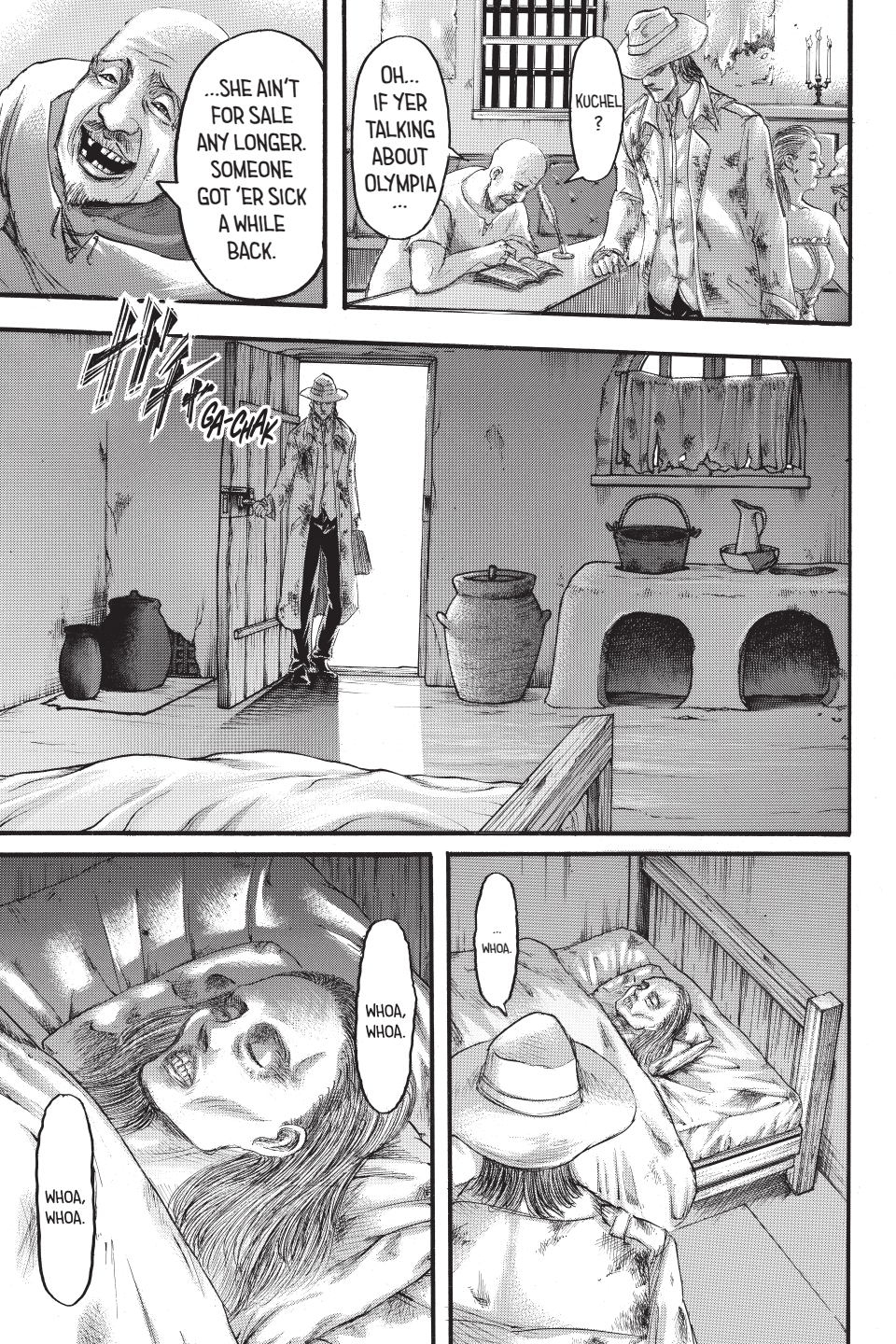
YOUR ONLY CHOICE IS TO KILL HIM!
YOU CAN'T ERASE HIS MEMORY!
HE'S AN ACK-ER-MAN!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING ?!
BAM
ZAKK
ZAKK

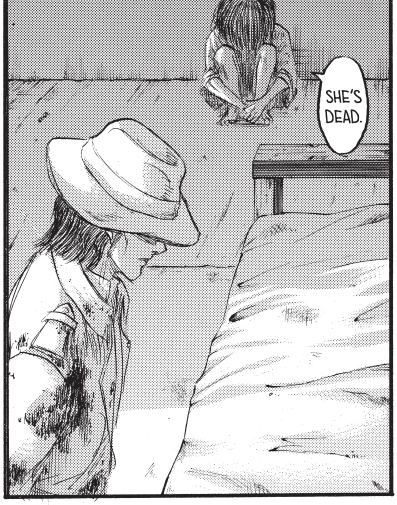

SHFF

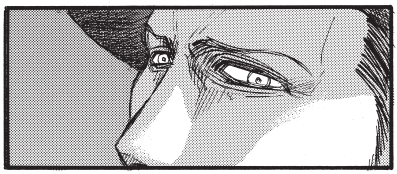

...YOUR HATRED IS JUSTI-FIED...
CONSIDERING THE LEGACY OF PERSECUTION WE'VE BROUGHT UPON THE ACKERMAN LINE...
...?
PANT
PANT

RIGHT NOW...I CAN'T DIE.
BUT...
A KING WITH THAT MUCH POWER...
...FOR BEING A FOOL WHO COULDN'T BUILD A PARADISE, EVEN IN THIS TINY SPACE WITHIN THE WALLS...
PLEASE FORGIVE ME...
...BUT THIS GAVE AN EVEN BIGGER JOLT TO SOMETHING INSIDE OF ME.
THAT TITAN LEFT ME SPEECH-LESS...
...BOWED DOWN TO SOMEONE AS LOWLY AS ME.

AND URI NODDED.
I TOLD HIM THEN THAT I WANTED TO HELP.
IT WAS MY NEW JOB.
AND THE GUY HE HAD SQUEALED TO WAS THERE IN HIS PLACE AS THE REISS FAMILY'S DOG, SITTING BACK WITH HIS LEGS OUT-STRETCHED.
AT THE NEXT ASSEMBLY SESSION, THE GUY WHO SQUEALED TO ME ABOUT THE REISS FAMILY WAS GONE...
...IT WASN'T AS IF I COULD WALK AROUND IN BROAD DAYLIGHT, BUT MY LIST OF ENEMIES SEEMED TO BE GETTING SMALLER.
IT WAS A LITTLE PATHETIC, BUT IT STOPPED THE PERSECUTION OF THE ACKERMAN FAMILY.


KUCHEL ?
OH... IF YER TALKING ABOUT OLYMPIA ...
...SHE AIN'T FOR SALE ANY LONGER. SOMEONE GOT 'ER SICK A WHILE BACK.
GA-CHAK
...WHOA.
WHOA, WHOA.
WHOA, WHOA.

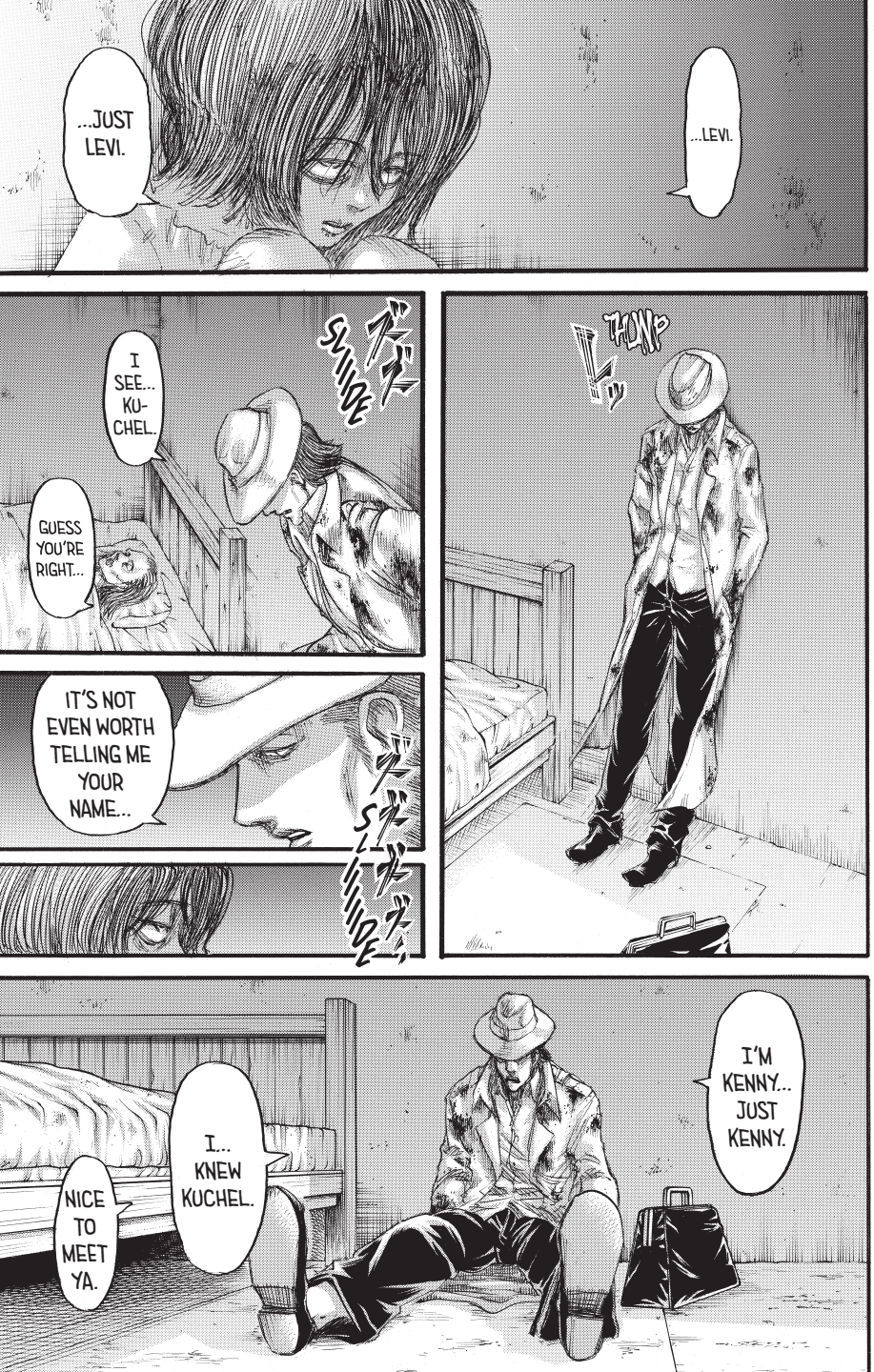

SHE'S DEAD.



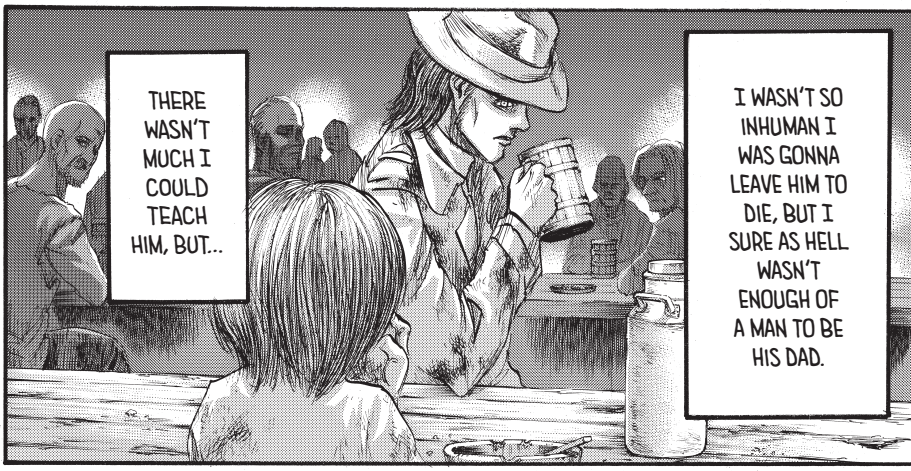
YA SEEM TO HAVE...
...LOST A LOT OF WEIGHT... KUCHEL.

ARE YOU ALIVE?
...
AND YOU?

WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
YA UNDER-STAND ME, RIGHT?
WHOA, GIMME A BREAK.


...LEVI.
...JUST LEVI.
THUMP
I SEE... KU-CHEL.
GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT...
IT'S NOT EVEN WORTH TELLING ME YOUR NAME...
I'M KENNY... JUST KENNY.
I... KNEW KUCHEL.
NICE TO MEET YA.

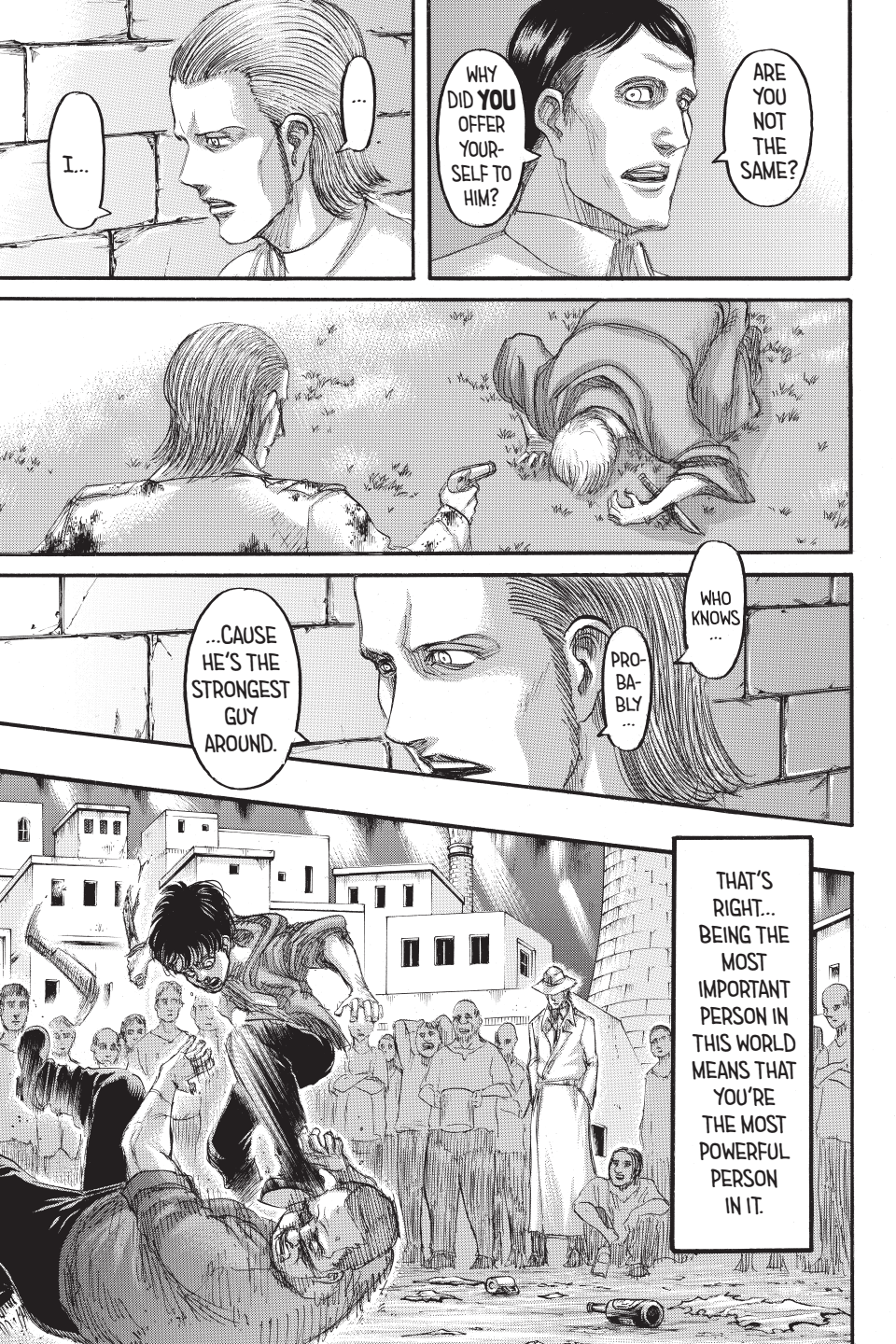
A COLD LITTLE BRAT ON DEATH'S DOOR.
THAT'S ALL KUCHEL LEFT BEHIND.

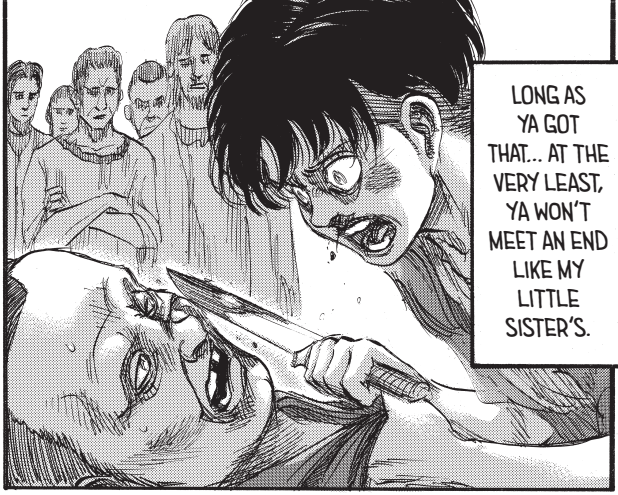

I WASN'T SO INHUMAN I WAS GONNA LEAVE HIM TO DIE, BUT I SURE AS HELL WASN'T ENOUGH OF A MAN TO BE HIS DAD.
THERE WASN'T MUCH I COULD TEACH HIM, BUT...

WE STARTED WITH HOW TO GRIP A KNIFE.
NEXT, WE TOOK A TOUR OF THE NEIGHBOR-HOOD...
...AND I TAUGHT HIM HOW TO GREET PEOPLE.

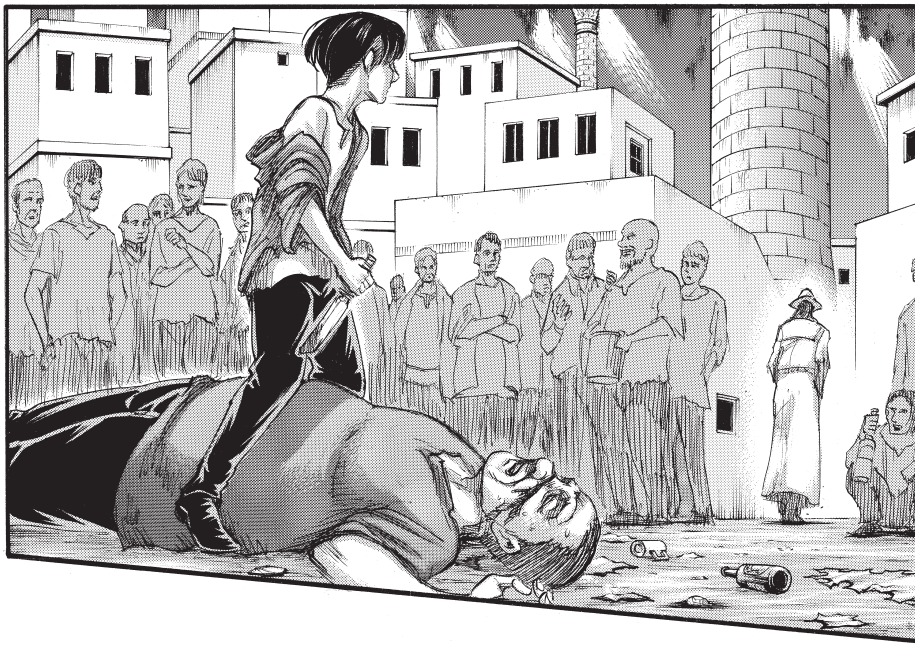
...AND HOW TO SWING A KNIFE.
I SHOWED HIM HOW TO SWING A MUG...
IF HE WANTED TO LEAVE AND GO TO THE SURFACE, HE WAS FREE TO.
IN OTHER WORDS, I TAUGHT HIM WHAT HE NEEDED TO SURVIVE IN THE UNDERGROUND.
...HE'D HAVE TO DO IT HIMSELF.
BUT IF HE EVER DID...

THE INTERIOR MILITARY POLICE?
AND YET THE KING MADE YOU HIS SUBJECT AND BODYGUARD.
SORRY ABOUT KILLING A BUNCH OF YOUR FRIENDS.
AH... SO THAT'S WHO YOU ARE?
THAT IS HOW WE ARE ABLE TO DO WHAT WE MUST.
HEY NOW, SANNES. YA SEEM PRETTY TAKEN WITH THE KING, HUH?
THAT IS HOW BOUND-LESS HIS HEART IS...


ARE YOU NOT THE SAME?
WHY DID YOU OFFER YOURSELF TO HIM?
...
I...
WHO KNOWS ...
PROBABLY ...
...CAUSE HE'S THE STRONGEST GUY AROUND.
THAT'S RIGHT... BEING THE MOST IMPORTANT PERSON IN THIS WORLD MEANS THAT YOU'RE THE MOST POWERFUL PERSON IN IT.


LONG AS YA GOT THAT... AT THE VERY LEAST, YA WON'T MEET AN END LIKE MY LITTLE SISTER'S.

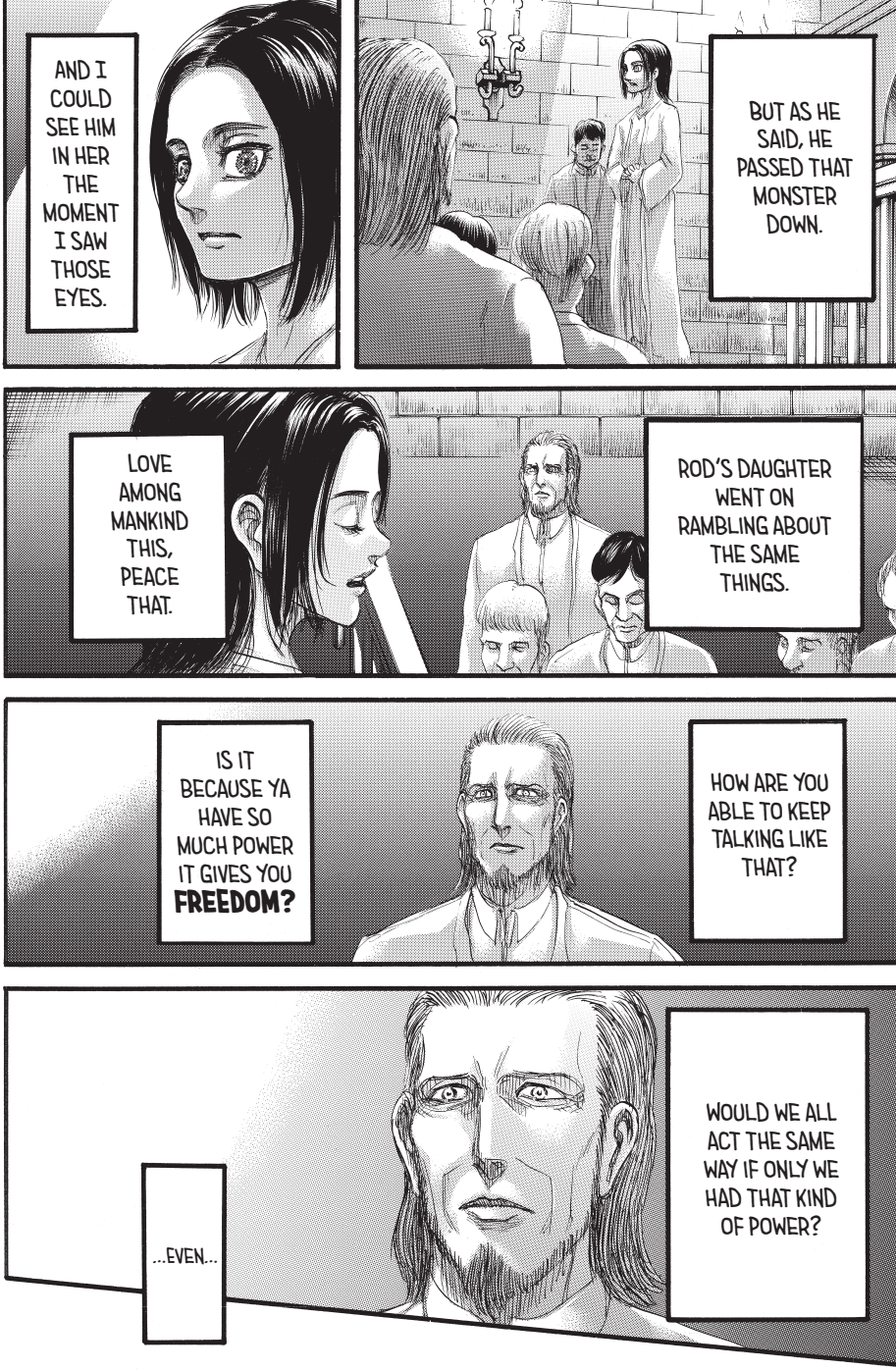
ALL YA NEED IS POWER.



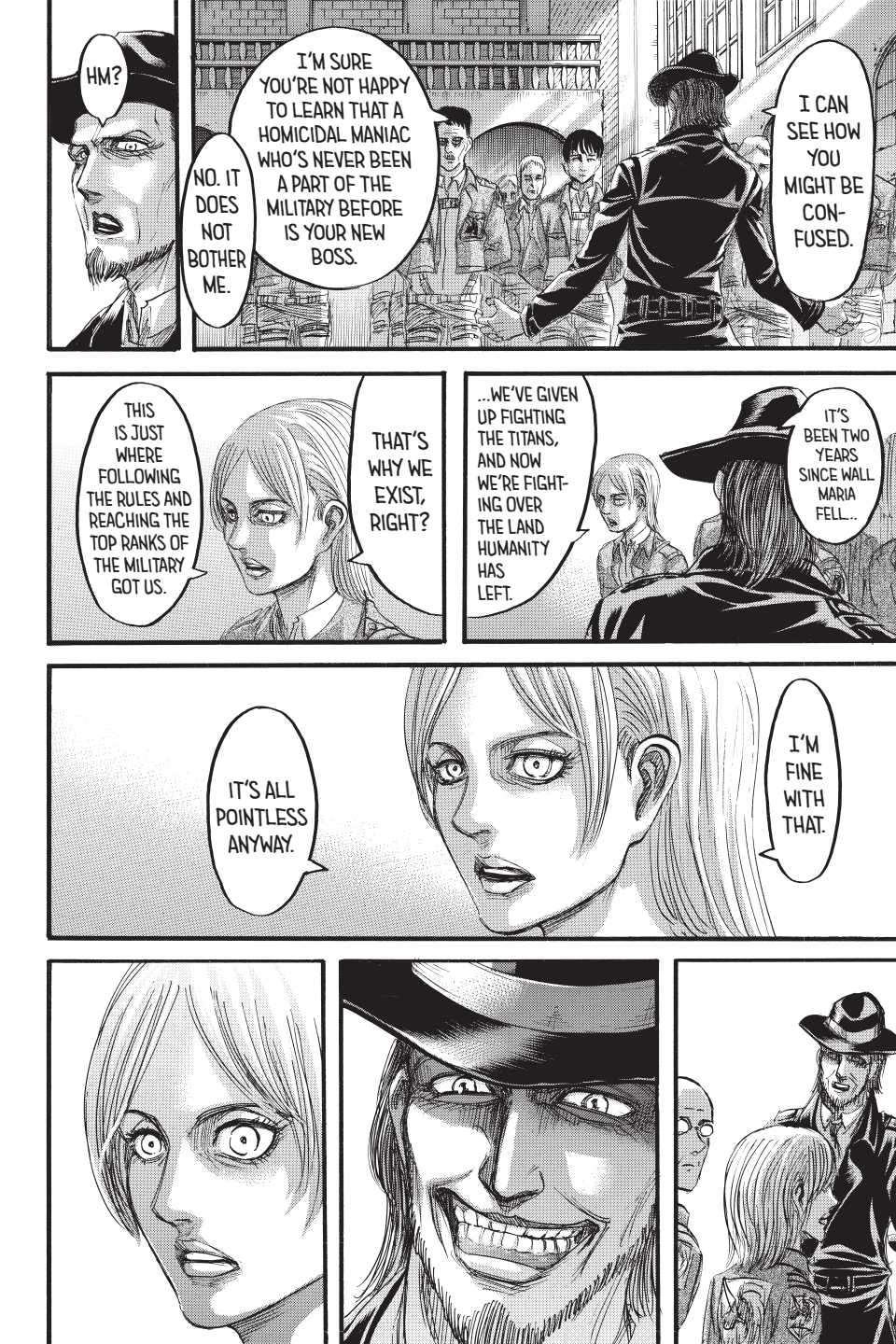
I... DON'T HAVE MUCH LONGER.
...THAT'S PRETTY OBVIOUS FROM THE LOOK OF YA.
YA MAY BE A MONSTER, BUT YOU'RE STILL NO MATCH FOR AGE AND DISEASE.
YA DIS-APPOINT ME.
NOT EX-ACT-LY...
EH?
THIS POWER WILL BE INHERITED BY ROD'S CHILDREN.
I WILL SURELY LIVE ON IN THEIR MEMORIES.
...
...WHAT'S THAT SUP-POSED TO MEAN?
THEY'RE INHERITING YOUR POWER?

...WILL BE RUINED.
NOT LONG IN THE FUTURE, THIS WORLD...
KENNY...
I WANT TO CREATE A PARADISE...
...FOR THE SURVIVING, WANING REMNANTS OF HUMANITY.
WHAT WAS IT THAT TURNED US INTO FRIENDS?
BUT...THE TWO OF US WERE ON AN UNSTOPPABLE PATH OF MUTUAL DESTRUCTION.
YOU BELIEVE IN VIOLENCE, DO YOU NOT?
IT IS AN UNAVOIDABLE TRUTH OF THIS WORLD.
WAS IT VIOLENCE?

...I WOULD'VE BEEN STUFFIN' YOUR HEAD FULL OF SHIT.
ALL I CAN SAY IS THAT IF YA HADN'T GRABBED ME WITH THAT HUGE ARM OF YOURS...
BEATS ME.
... HAH.
...
BEFORE WE EVER BECAME "FRIENDS," THAT IS.
IT IS AN UNAVOID-ABLE TRUTH...
YES ...
...BUT I STILL BELIEVE IN WHAT HAPPENED THAT DAY...
...THAT MIRA-CLE.
I WAS NEVER ABLE TO FEEL THE SAME WAY AS HIM, DOWN TO THE VERY END.


AND I COULD SEE HIM IN HER THE MOMENT I SAW THOSE EYES.
BUT AS HE SAID, HE PASSED THAT MONSTER DOWN.
LOVE AMONG MANKIND THIS, PEACE THAT.
ROD'S DAUGHTER WENT ON RAMBLING ABOUT THE SAME THINGS.
IS IT BECAUSE YA HAVE SO MUCH POWER IT GIVES YOU FREEDOM?
HOW ARE YOU ABLE TO KEEP TALKING LIKE THAT?
...EVEN...
WOULD WE ALL ACT THE SAME WAY IF ONLY WE HAD THAT KIND OF POWER?

ME—?
I'M KENNY ACKER-MAN.
I WAS ALSO ONCE KNOWN BY THE LAME TITLE "KENNY THE RIPPER."
I SLIT SO MANY ELITE MILITARY POLICE THROATS JUST LIKE YOURS THAT IT GOT BORING.
BUT A LOT HAPPENED, AND NOW I'VE BEEN MADE THE LEADER OF THIS ANTI-PERSONNEL VERTICAL MANEUVERING EQUIPMENT SQUAD.
NICE TO MEET YA.

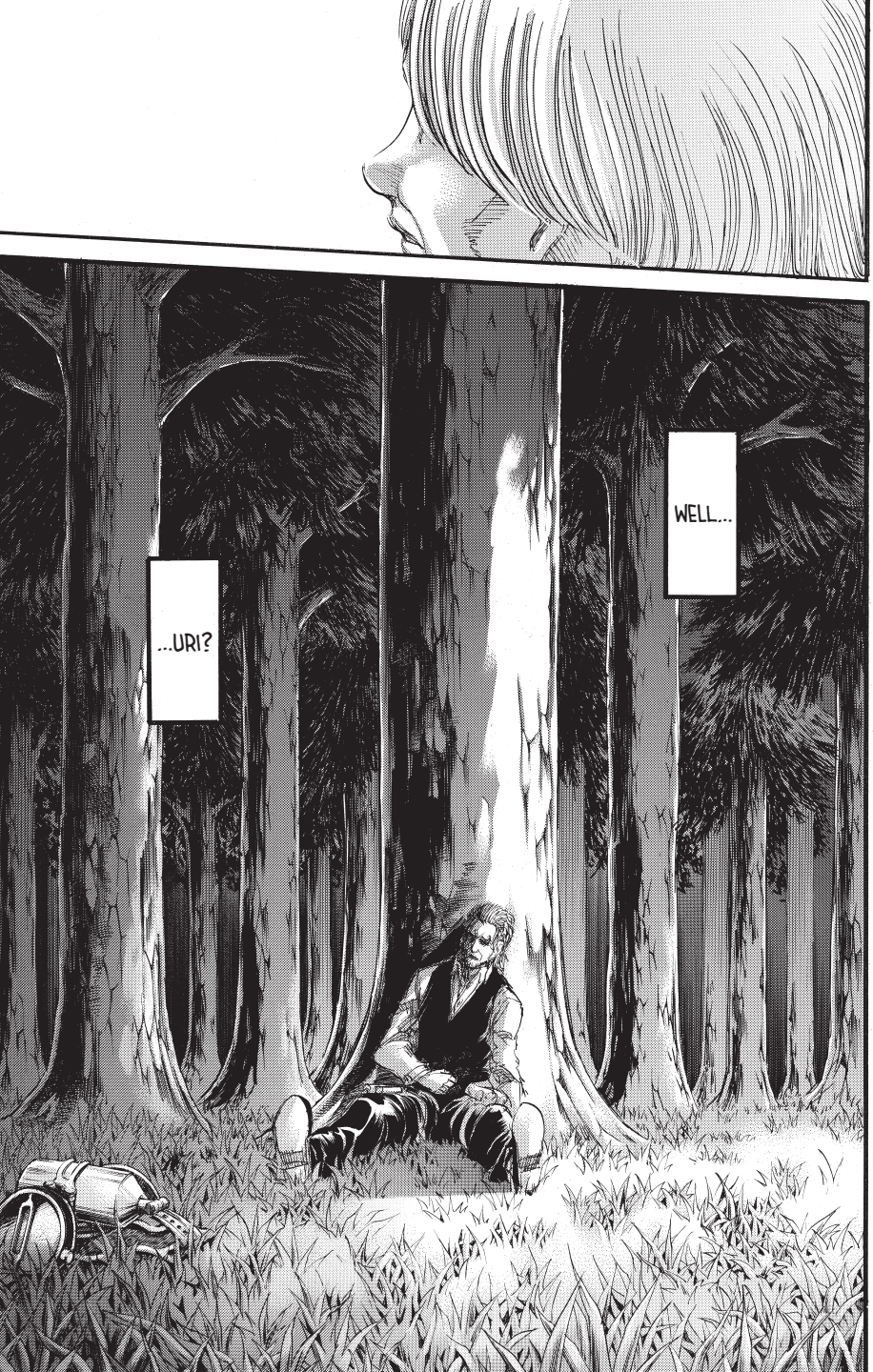

HM?
I'M SURE YOU'RE NOT HAPPY TO LEARN THAT A HOMICIDAL MANIAC WHO'S NEVER BEEN A PART OF THE MILITARY BEFORE IS YOUR NEW BOSS.
NO. IT DOES NOT BOTHER ME.
I CAN SEE HOW YOU MIGHT BE CONFUSED.
THIS IS JUST WHERE FOLLOWING THE RULES AND REACHING THE TOP RANKS OF THE MILITARY GOT US.
THAT'S WHY WE EXIST, RIGHT?
...WE'VE GIVEN UP FIGHTING THE TITANS, AND NOW WE'RE FIGHTING OVER THE LAND HUMANITY HAS LEFT.
IT'S BEEN TWO YEARS SINCE WALL MARIA FELL...
IT'S ALL POINTLESS ANYWAY.
I'M FINE WITH THAT.

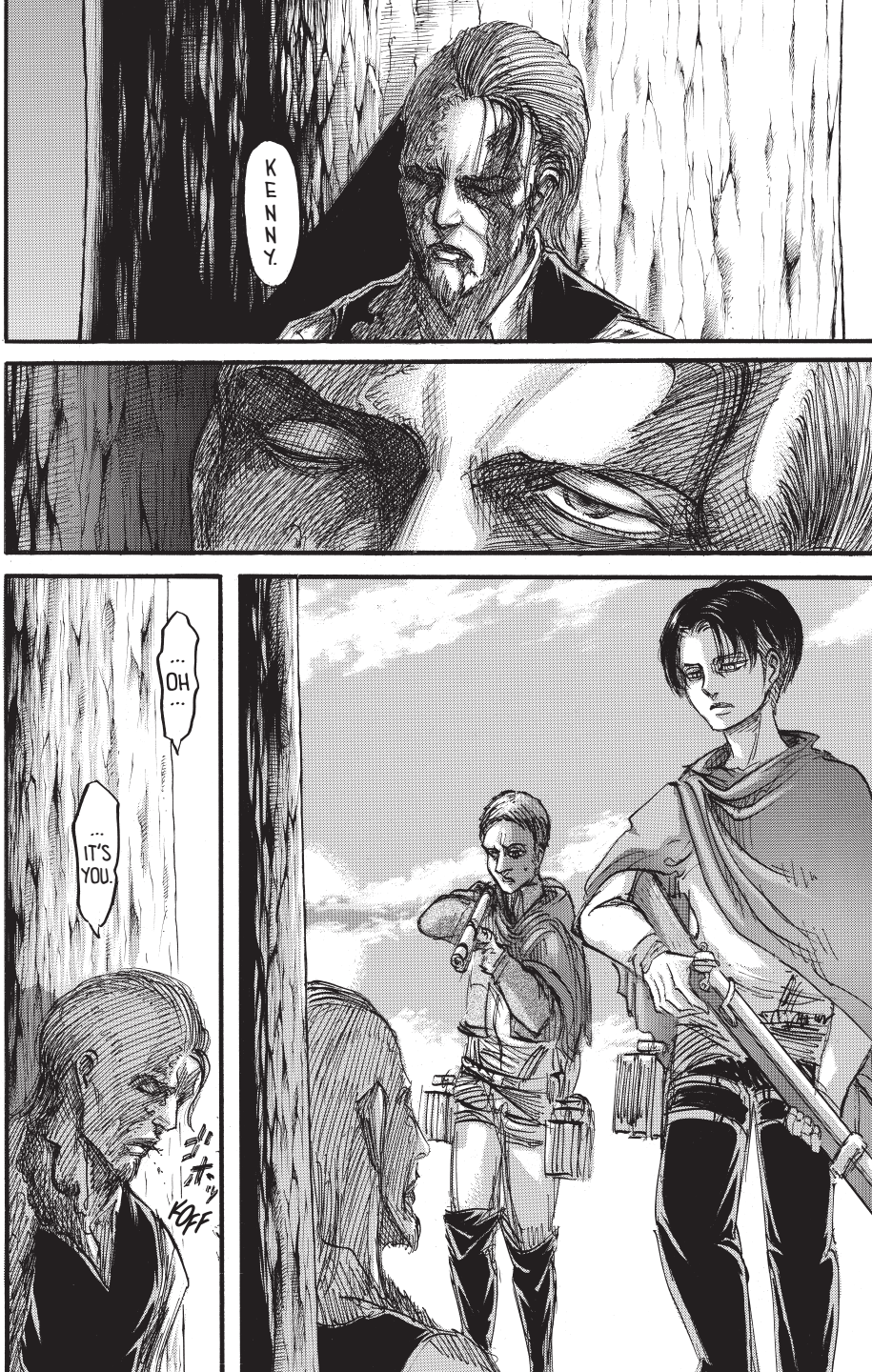
DON'T WORRY.
THE STUFF ABOUT OPPOSING THE SURVEY CORPS IS A JUSTIFICATION.
IT'S NOTHING MORE THAN THE OFFICIAL LINE I CAME UP WITH.
A SHIT WAY TO MAKE THOSE SHITHEADS IN THE ASSEMBLY GIVE THEIR APPROVAL.
I'LL HAVE YOU KNOW THAT CHEERING THOSE PIGS UP AND SETTING UP ALL THE PIECES WAS HARD WORK.
WHAT'S IT REALLY FOR?
WELL, IT'S FOR...
...A GRAND DREAM.

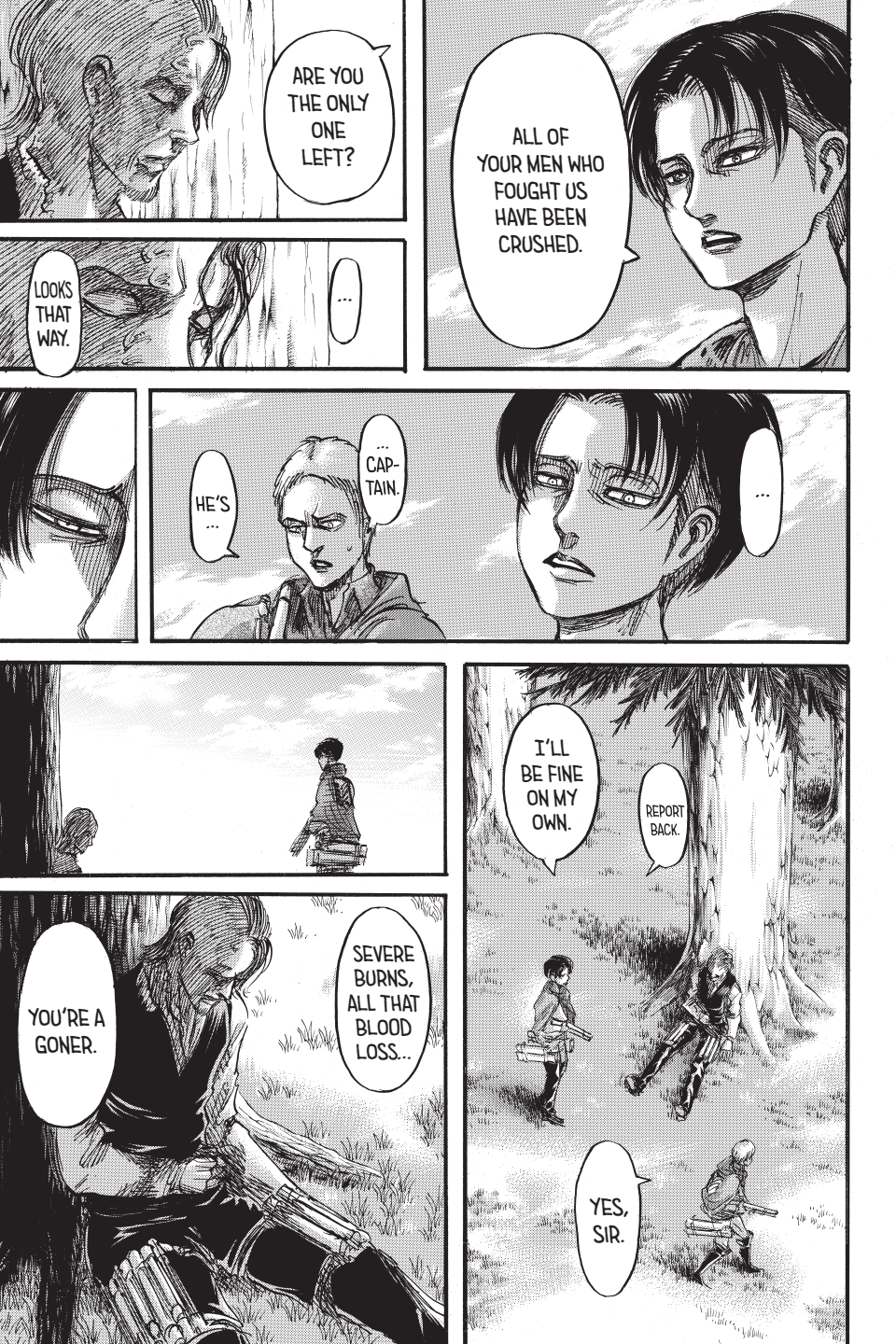
GOD-LIKE POWER.
EVERYONE WHO GETS THEIR HANDS ON IT SEEMS TO TURN COMPASSION-ATE.
WOULD THE SAME THING HAPPEN EVEN TO GARBAGE LIKE ME?

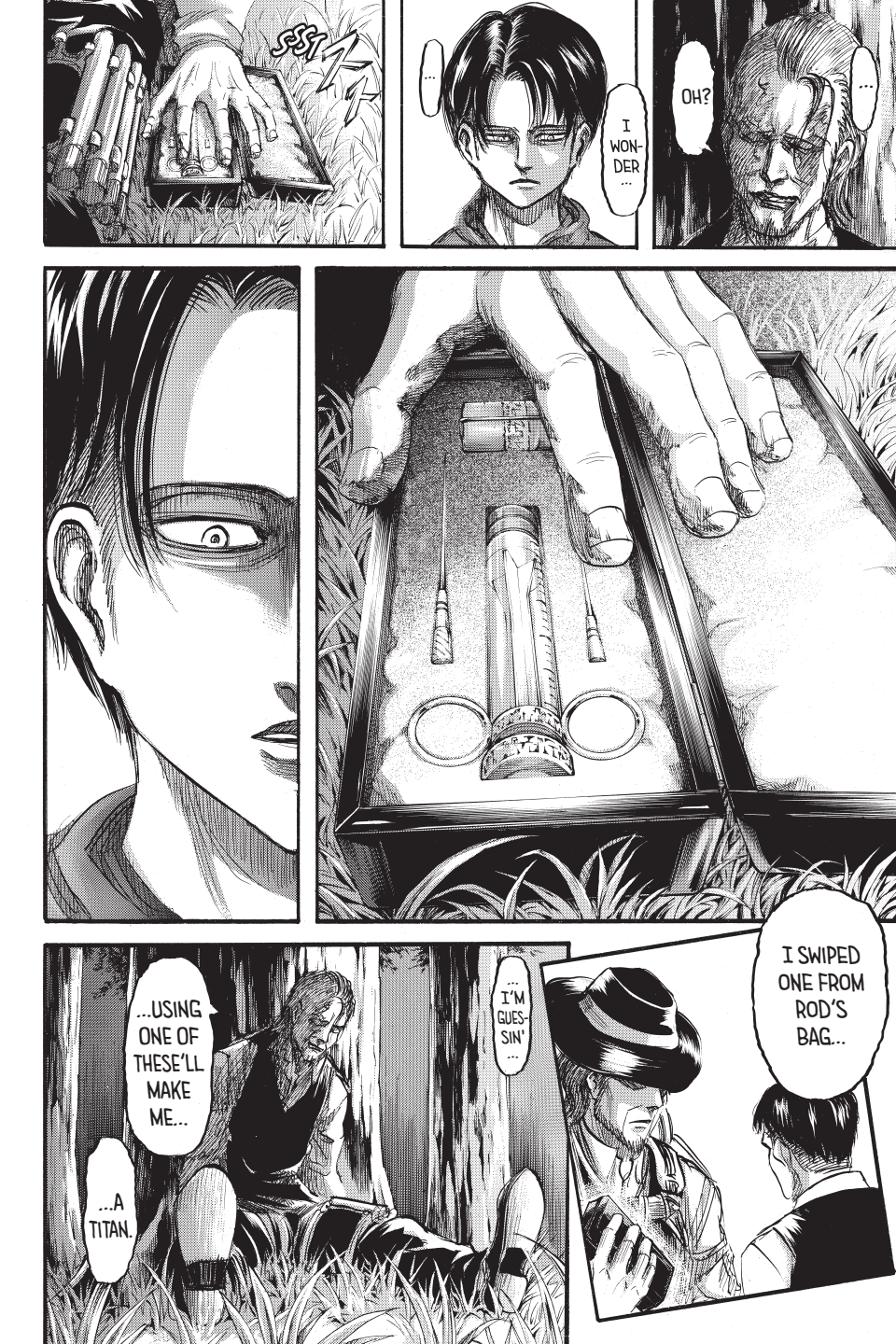
I WANT TO KNOW...
...WHAT'S IT FEEL LIKE?
WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE FROM UP THERE?

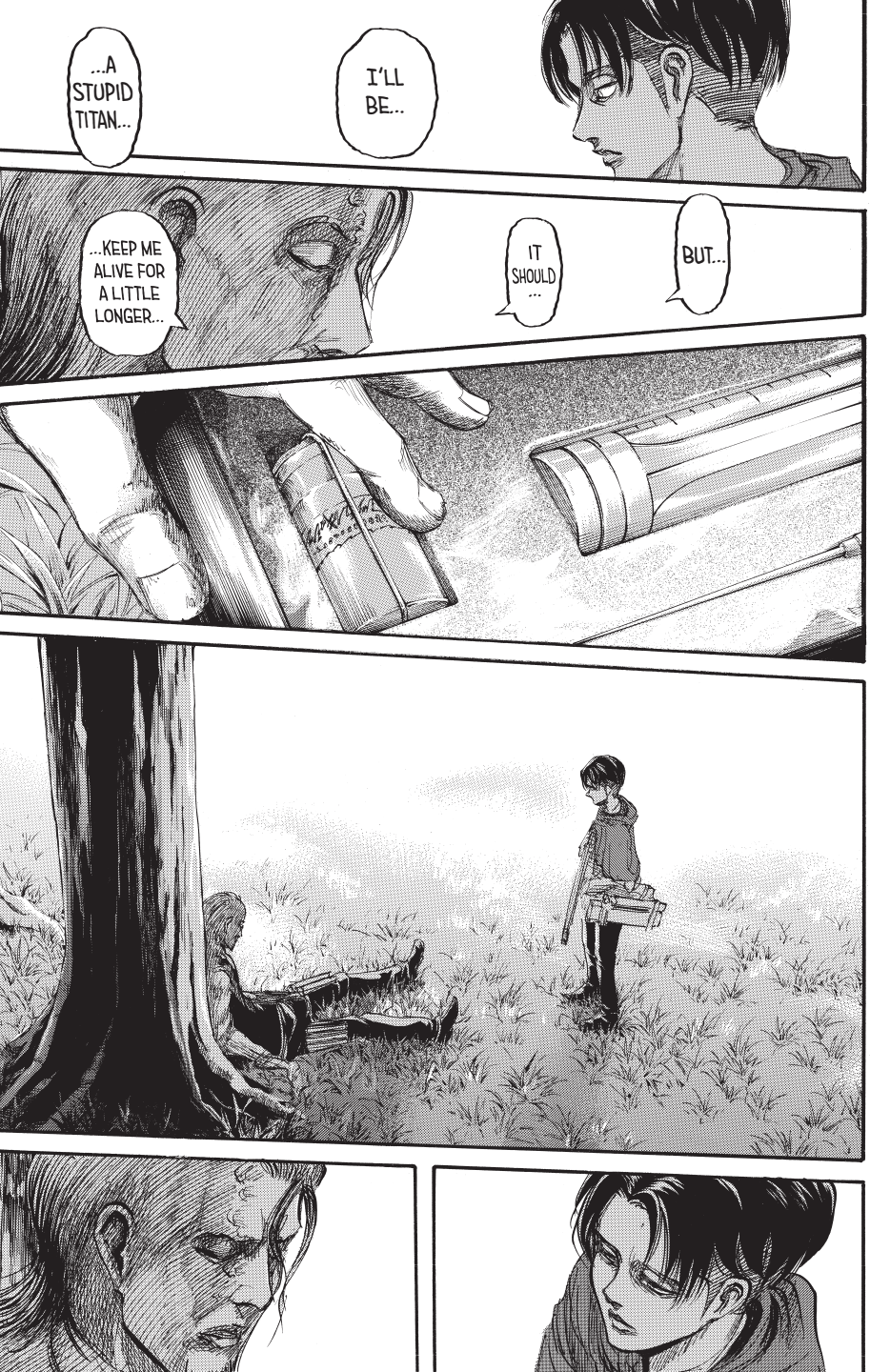
CAN A PIECE OF TRASH...
...LIKE ME...
...EVER SEE THE SAME KIND OF THING THAT YOU CAN SEE?


WELL...
...URI?


KENNY.
…OH…
…IT'S YOU.
ゴホッ
KOFF

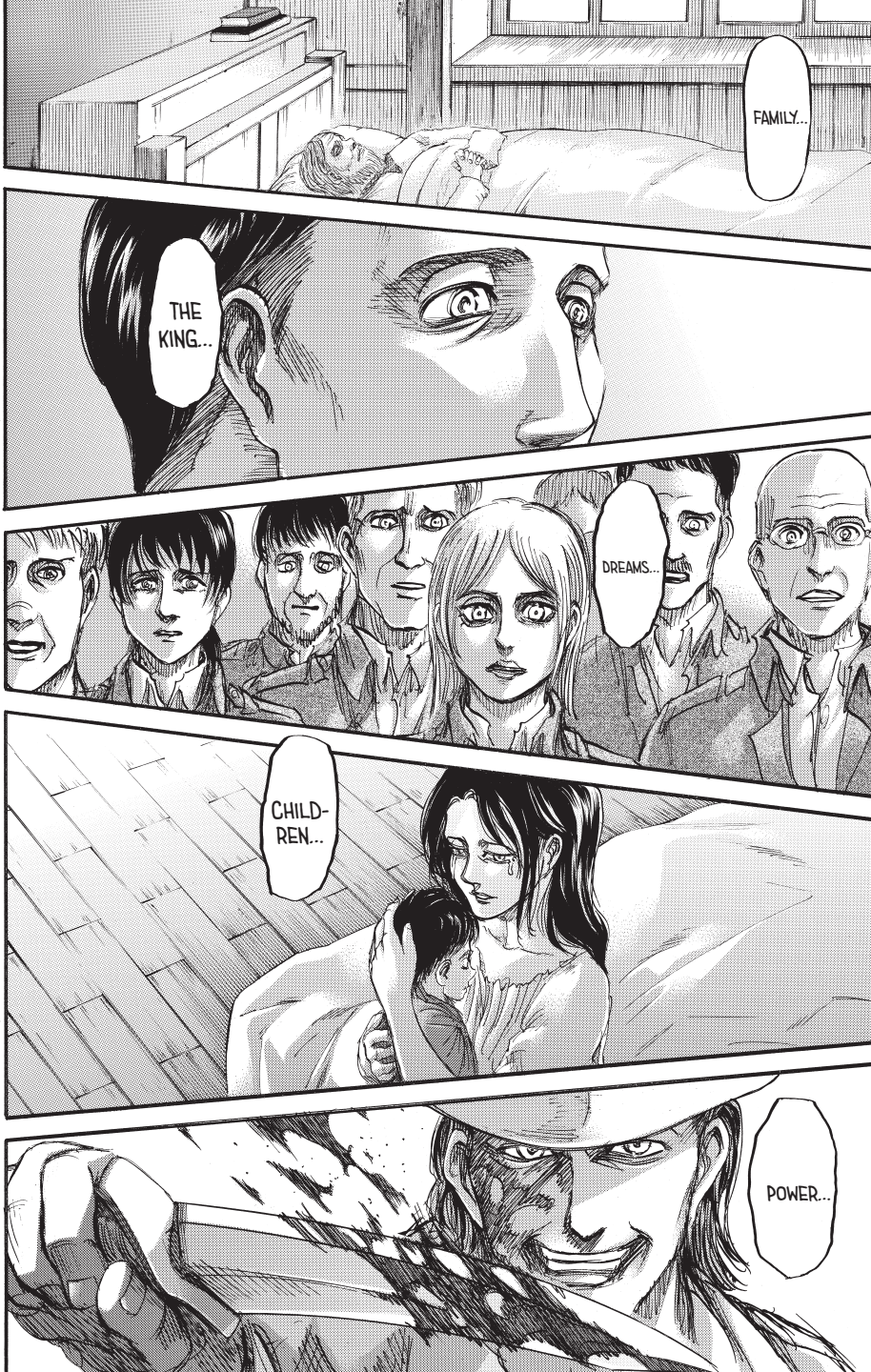

ARE YOU THE ONLY ONE LEFT?
ALL OF YOUR MEN WHO FOUGHT US HAVE BEEN CRUSHED.
LOOKS THAT WAY.
...
HE'S ...
... CAP-TAIN.
...
I'LL BE FINE ON MY OWN.
REPORT BACK.
YES, SIR.
SEVERE BURNS, ALL THAT BLOOD LOSS...
YOU'RE A GONER.


SSSィ
…
I WON-DER…
…
OH?
I SWIPED ONE FROM ROD'S BAG…
…I'M GUES-SIN'…
…USING ONE OF THESE'LL MAKE ME…
…A TITAN.


...A STUPID TITAN...
I'LL BE...
...KEEP ME ALIVE FOR A LITTLE LONGER...
IT SHOULD ...
BUT...

HUH.
I... WON-DER.
WHY DIDN'T YOU?
YOU'VE HAD THE TIME AND ENERGY BEFORE THIS TO INJECT YOURSELF.
...I'LL PROBABLY TURN OUT...
...ALL MESSED UP LIKE HIM...
IF I DON'T DO IT RIGHT...
... BUT.
... OH.
SURE, I...
... DON'T WANT TO DIE.
AND... I WANT POWER.
...THERE'S NO WAY YOU'D SIT AROUND AND WAIT TO DIE.
DON'T YOU HAVE A BETTER EXCUSE ?

...WHY HE DID THAT...
I JUST GOT IT...
I THINK...
EVERY LAST PERSON I'VE SEEN...
WAS THE SAME WAY...
KEH HEH HEH
HUH?
WHETHER IT WAS BOOZE...
WOMEN...
...OR EVEN GOD.

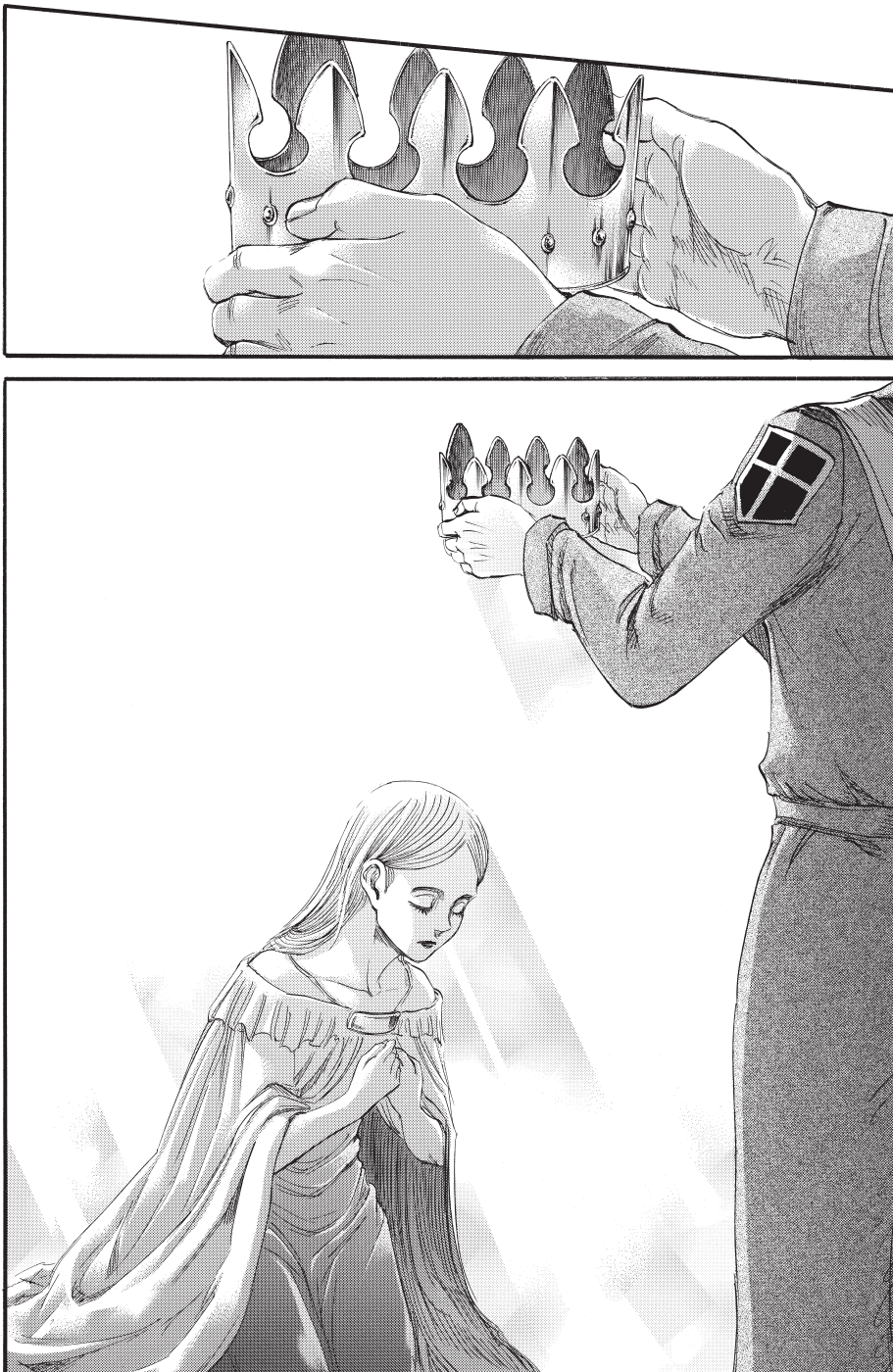

FAMILY...
THE KING...
DREAMS...
CHILD-REN...
POWER...

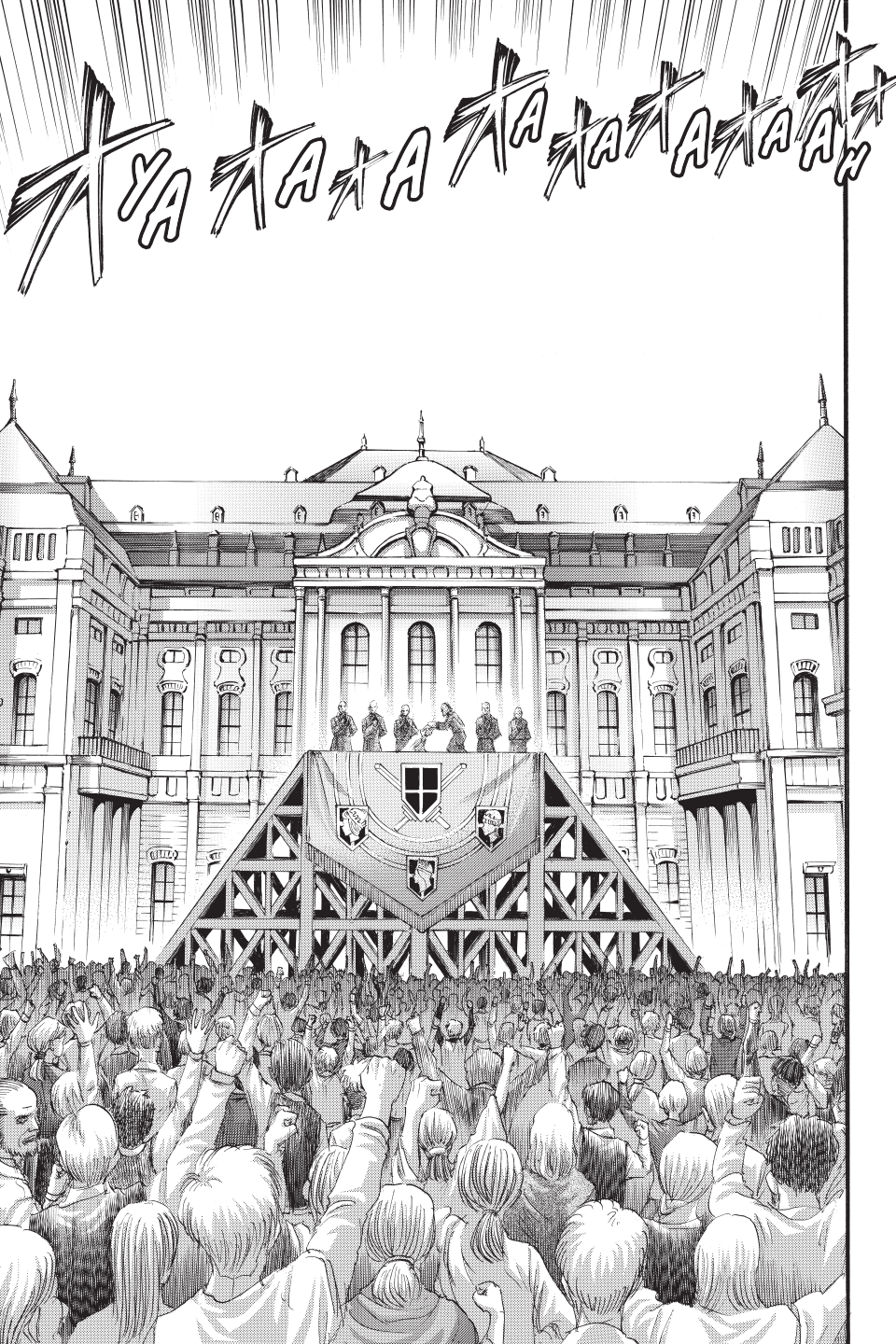
THEY COULDN'T KEEP GOING...
...UNLESS THEY WERE DRUNK ON SOME-THING.
THEY WERE ALL... SLAVES TO SOME-THING...
EVEN HIM...

A HERO ?!
WHAT ARE YOU ?!
WH...
KOFF
!!
HAKK
KENNY.
THUD
TELL ME EVERY-THING YOU KNOW!
WHY DOESN'T THE FIRST KING WANT HUMANITY TO SURVIVE?!
HAKK
... LIKE I'D KNOW.
BUT ...
IT'S THE REASON... WE ACKERMANS OPPOSED HIM...
MY LAST NAME SEEMS TO BE ACKERMAN, TOO.
YOU ...
WHAT WERE YOU TO MY MOTHER... REALLY ?

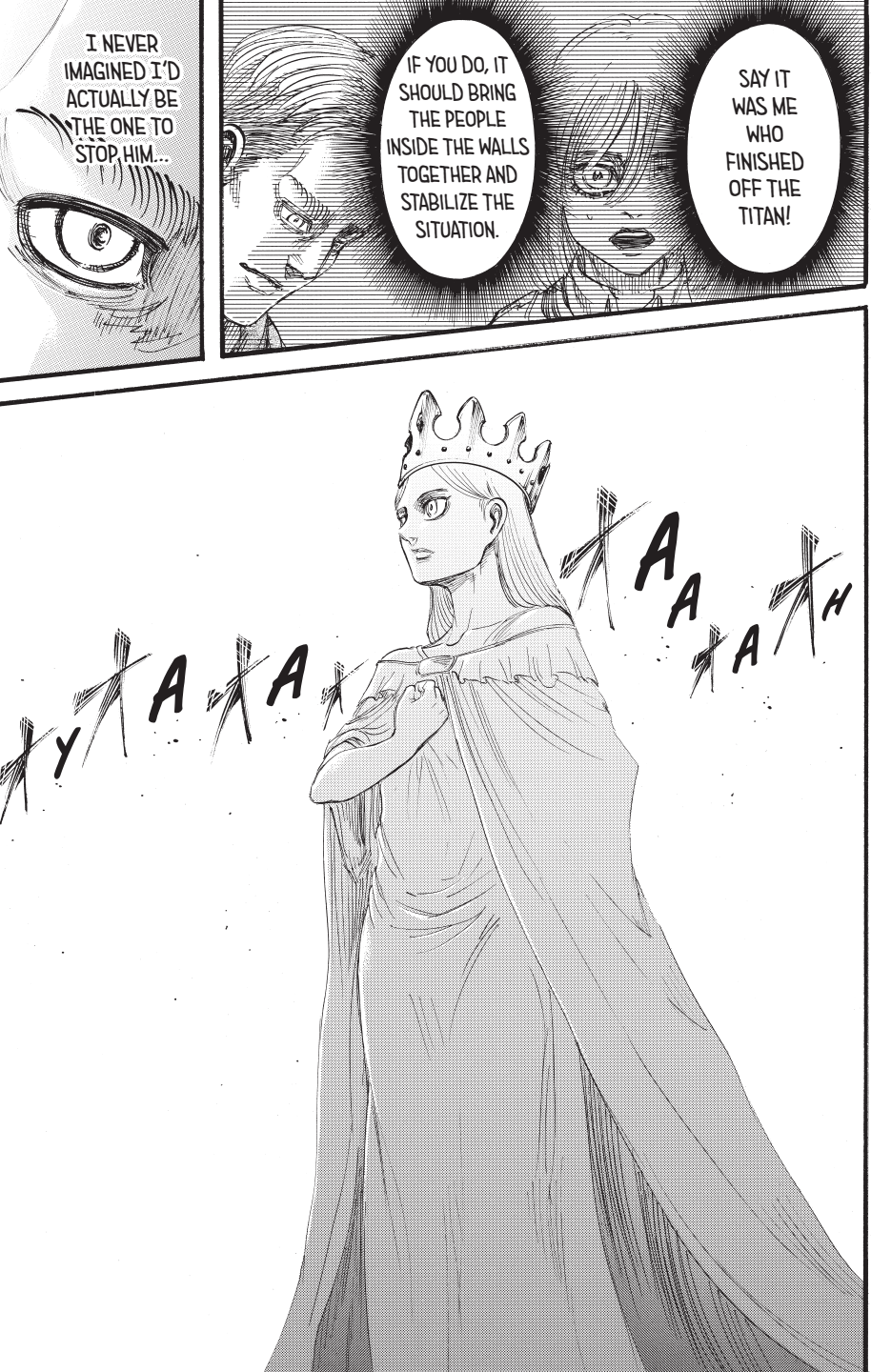
I WAS JUST ...
...HER BROTH-ER.
HAH!
YOU IDIOT...
KOFF
HAH
THAT DAY...
WHY... DID YOU LEAVE ME?

THUD
'CAUSE...
I CAN'T BE SOME KID'S ...
... DAD.
...KENNY.





...SHE PROTECTED US FROM THE TITANS WITH THAT DELICATE FRAME...
YEAH. A BUNCH OF ORVUD DISTRICT RESIDENTS SAW IT FOR THEMSELVES!
THAT GIRL DEFEATED A TITAN TWICE THE SIZE OF THE WALLS?
QUEEN HISTORIA!!
SHE'S THE TRUE RULER OF THE WALLS!
HER FATHER RULED AS KING FROM THE SHADOWS, BUT WHEN HE WENT OUT OF CONTROL, SHE STOPPED HIM HERSELF!

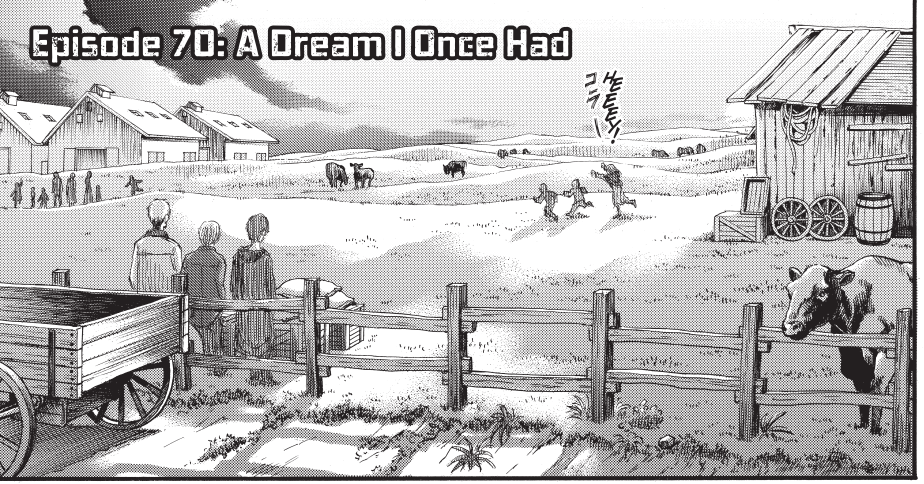

I NEVER IMAGINED I'D ACTUALLY BE THE ONE TO STOP HIM...
IF YOU DO, IT SHOULD BRING THE PEOPLE INSIDE THE WALLS TOGETHER AND STABILIZE THE SITUATION.
SAY IT WAS ME WHO FINISHED OFF THE TITAN!
AAAA

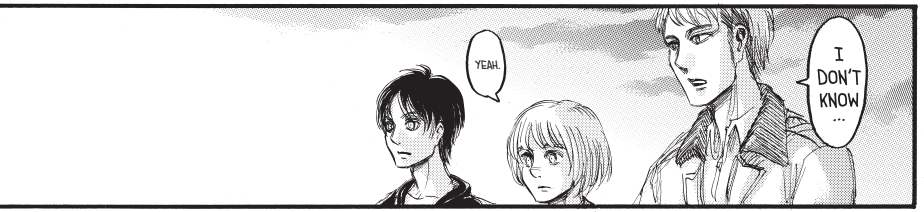
Y-YOU SAID YOURSELF THAT I SHOULD.
WHAT ...
HOLD ON.
ARE YOU REALLY GONNA DO IT, HISTORIA?
"I DARE YOU TO HIT ME BACK."
ONCE YOU BECOME QUEEN, SMACK HIM AND TELL HIM THIS:
IT WAS THE REEVES COMPANY BOSS'S FINAL REQUEST... OR, SHOULD I SAY, FINAL JOKE?
!
YEAH, HISTORIA! THAT'S THE SPIRIT!
I'M NOT FIT TO BE QUEEN UNLESS I DO IT.
IF YOU CAN LET IT GO, YOU SHOULD.

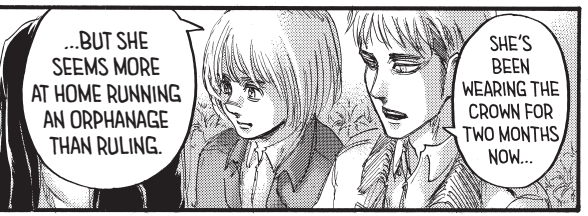
!!!
AAAAAH!!
AH... UH!
YEAAAAH!
BONK
AH.
HEH...
?!
WHADDAYA GOT TO SAY N-
NOW WHAT? I'M YOUR QUEEN!
HA HA HA HA!
THANKS...
...ALL OF YOU.

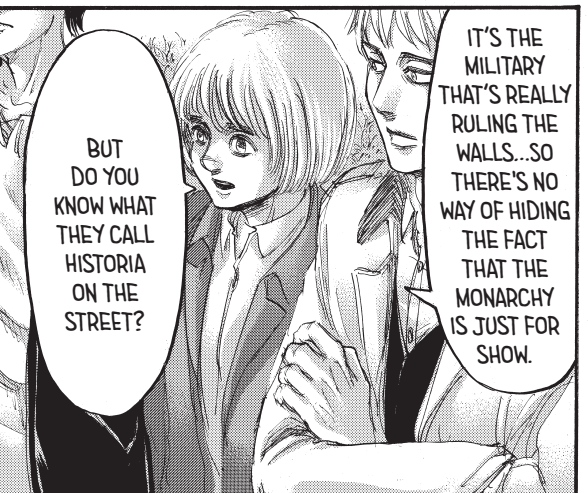
ATTACK
on TITAN

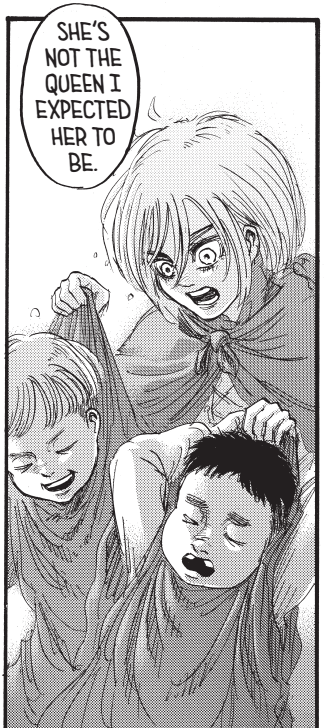
Episode 70: A Dream I Once Had





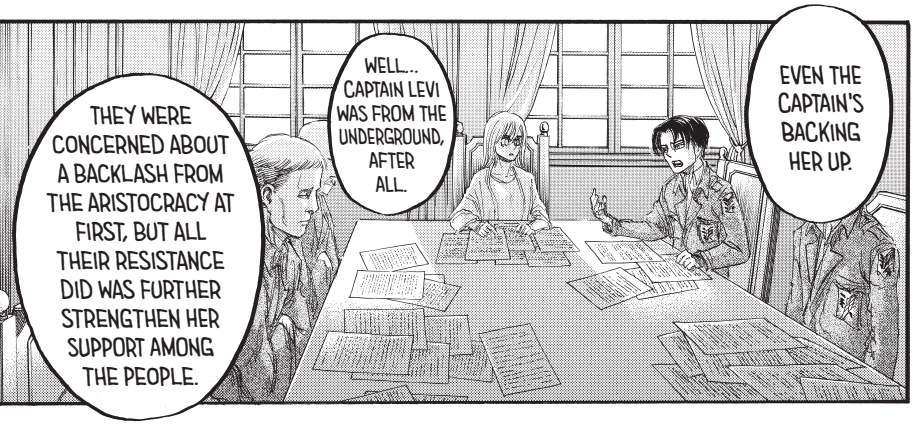


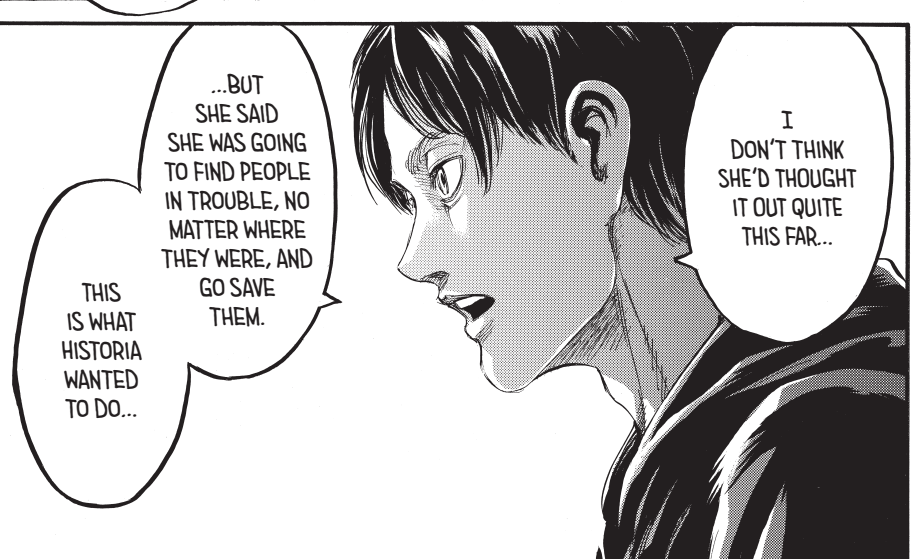




THEY MEAN IT LOVINGLY, OF COURSE.
THE "CATTLE-FARMING GODDESS."
I GUESS SHE REALLY IS A GODDESS NOW...
THE HERO WHO VANQUISHED AN ATTACKING TITAN TURNS OUT TO BE THIS MODEST AND ADMIRABLE?
NATU-RALLY.
...WAS TO DO THIS.
ONE OF THE REASONS HISTORIA MADE THE DECISION TO BECOME QUEEN...
...
THIS?
EH?
AT THIS RATE, NO ONE'S EVEN GOING TO REMEMBER WHO PLUGGED THE HOLE IN TROST DISTRICT.

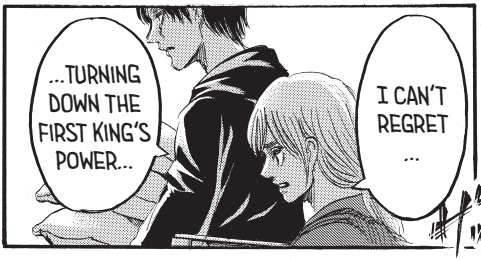
SHE'S USING THE ROYAL FAMILY'S BUDGET AND THE ASSETS SEIZED FROM POLITICIANS TO RUN THIS PLACE AND HELP THE POOR.
SHE LOOKED EVERYWHERE, FROM THE UNDER-GROUND TO EVERY CORNER OF THE WALLS... SHE GATHERED THE ORPHANS AND THE PEOPLE IN NEED SHE FOUND THERE, BROUGHT THEM TO THIS FARM, AND STARTED TAKING CARE OF THEM.

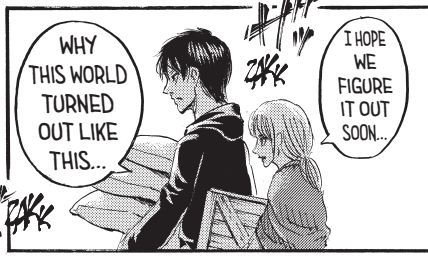

THEY WERE CONCERNED ABOUT A BACKLASH FROM THE ARISTOCRACY AT FIRST, BUT ALL THEIR RESISTANCE DID WAS FURTHER STRENGTHEN HER SUPPORT AMONG THE PEOPLE.
WELL... CAPTAIN LEVI WAS FROM THE UNDERGROUND, AFTER ALL.
EVEN THE CAPTAIN'S BACKING HER UP.

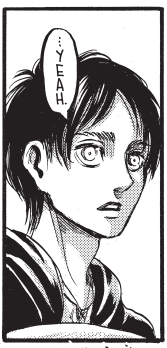

THIS IS WHAT HISTORIA WANTED TO DO...
...BUT SHE SAID SHE WAS GOING TO FIND PEOPLE IN TROUBLE, NO MATTER WHERE THEY WERE, AND GO SAVE THEM.
I DON'T THINK SHE'D THOUGHT IT OUT QUITE THIS FAR...

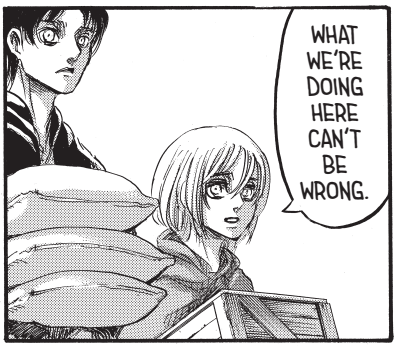
AFTER WE CARRY ALL OF THIS. THE SUN'S ABOUT TO SET!
CAN'T WE TAKE A BREAK ...?
SHE FOUND US.
ACK.
TAP TAP TAP
HEY, YOU'RE SLACKING AGAIN!
A GOD-DESS, HUH?
SHE'S STARTING TO REMIND ME OF MY MOM...
...BUT WE'RE NOT READY FOR THE MISSION YET.
I'M ABLE TO BLOCK A CAVE NOW...
YEAH.
SO I HEAR THE HARDENING EXPERIMENTS ARE GOING WELL?

IF WE DON'T HURRY ...
...THEY'LL COME AGAIN.
WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN IF YOU EVER MEET REINER AND BERTOLT AGAIN...?
WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?
...
I... HAVE TO KILL THEM.
...YOU WANT TO KILL THEM?
I...
... HAVE TO.


...TURNING DOWN THE FIRST KING'S POWER...
I CAN'T REGRET ...

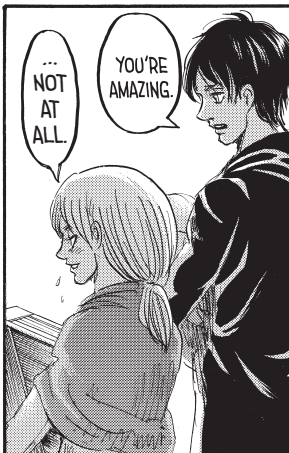

WHY THIS WORLD TURNED OUT LIKE THIS...
I HOPE WE FIGURE IT OUT SOON...
ZAKK


...YEAH.

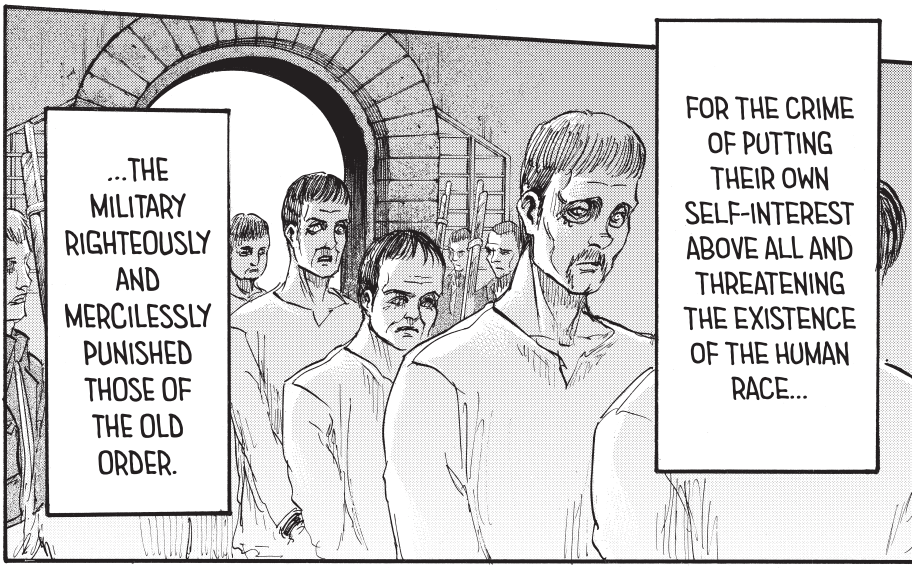

WHAT WE'RE DOING HERE CAN'T BE WRONG.

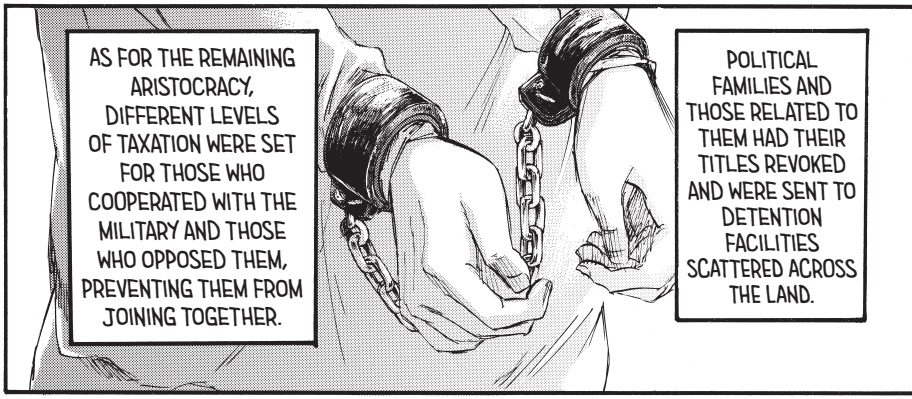
THE CHILDREN FROM THE UNDERGROUND HAVE STARTED TO SMILE RECENTLY.

ZAKK
I-I JUST GOT A LITTLE CARRIED AWAY THEN, THAT'S ALL...
EVEN THOUGH YOU WERE SAYING THAT HUMANITY SHOULD JUST GO TO HELL THAT DAY IN THE CAVE.

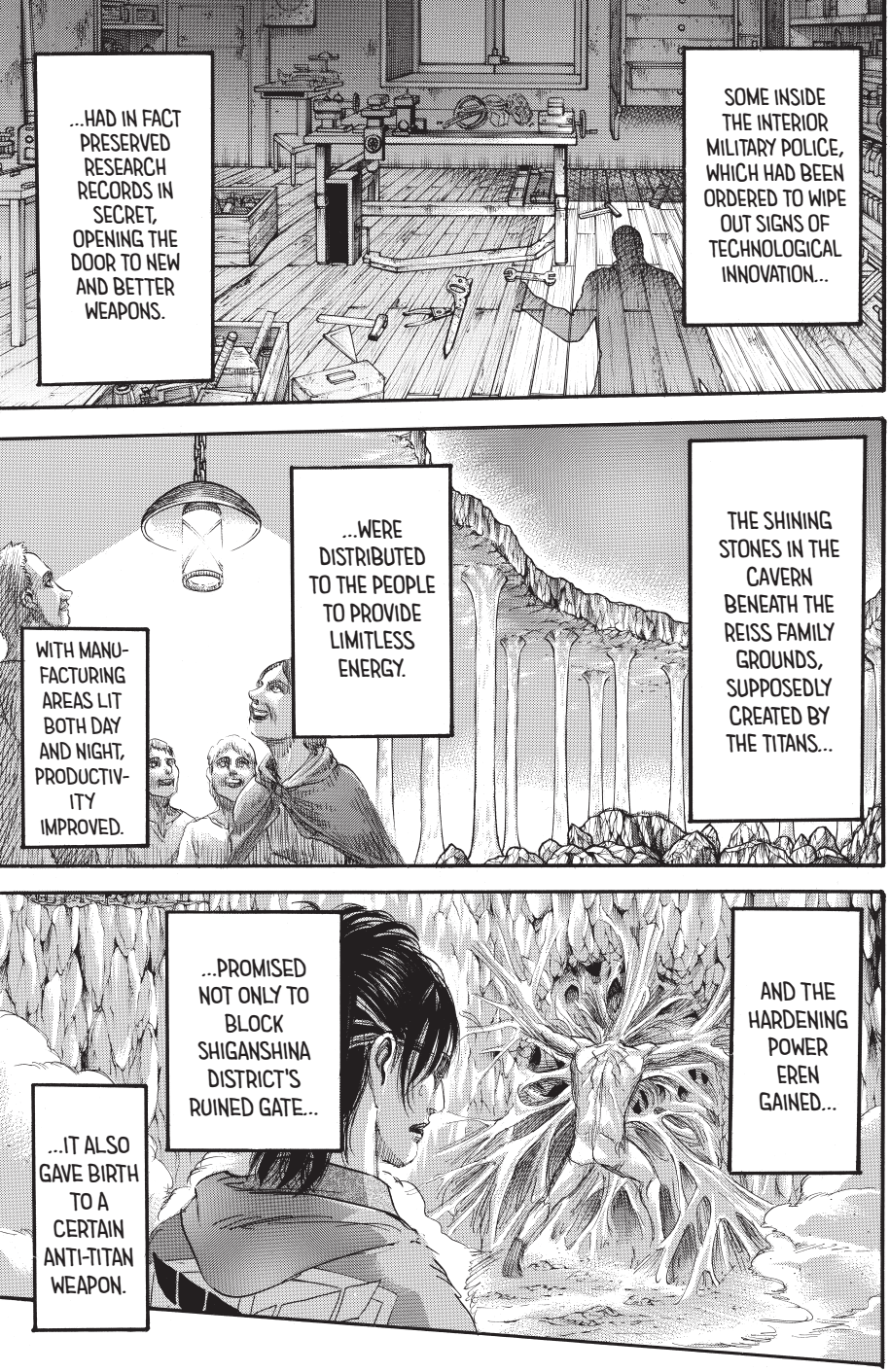

...NOT AT ALL.
YOU'RE AMAZING.

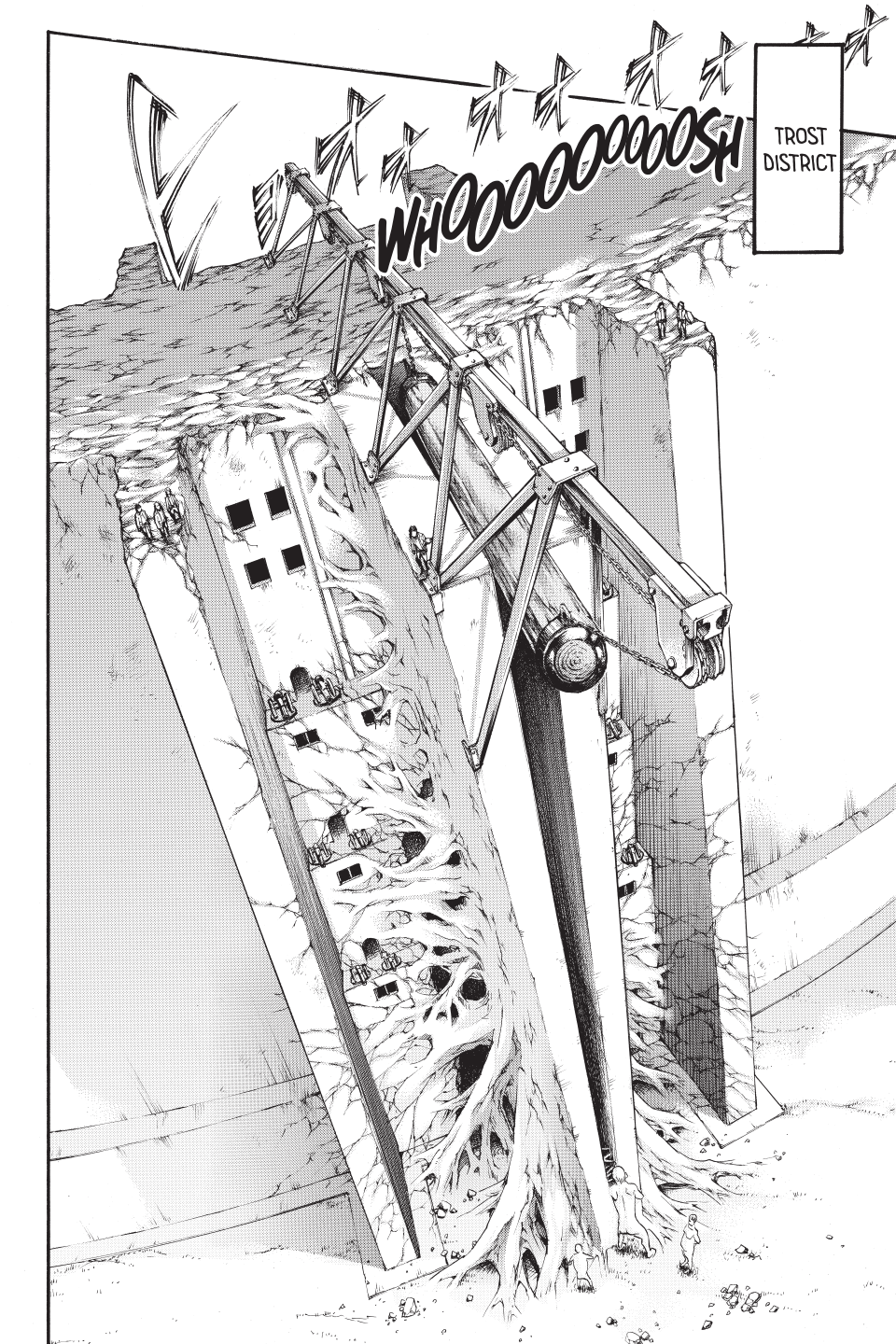
WHAT'S WRONG?
...!
GIMME THAT.
HEY, WAIT...
YONK
YOU'RE TIRED FROM TRAINING.
OF COURSE... SORRY, MIKASA.
STOP TREATING ME LIKE SOME OLD MAN!
ZAKK
ZAKK
ZAKK

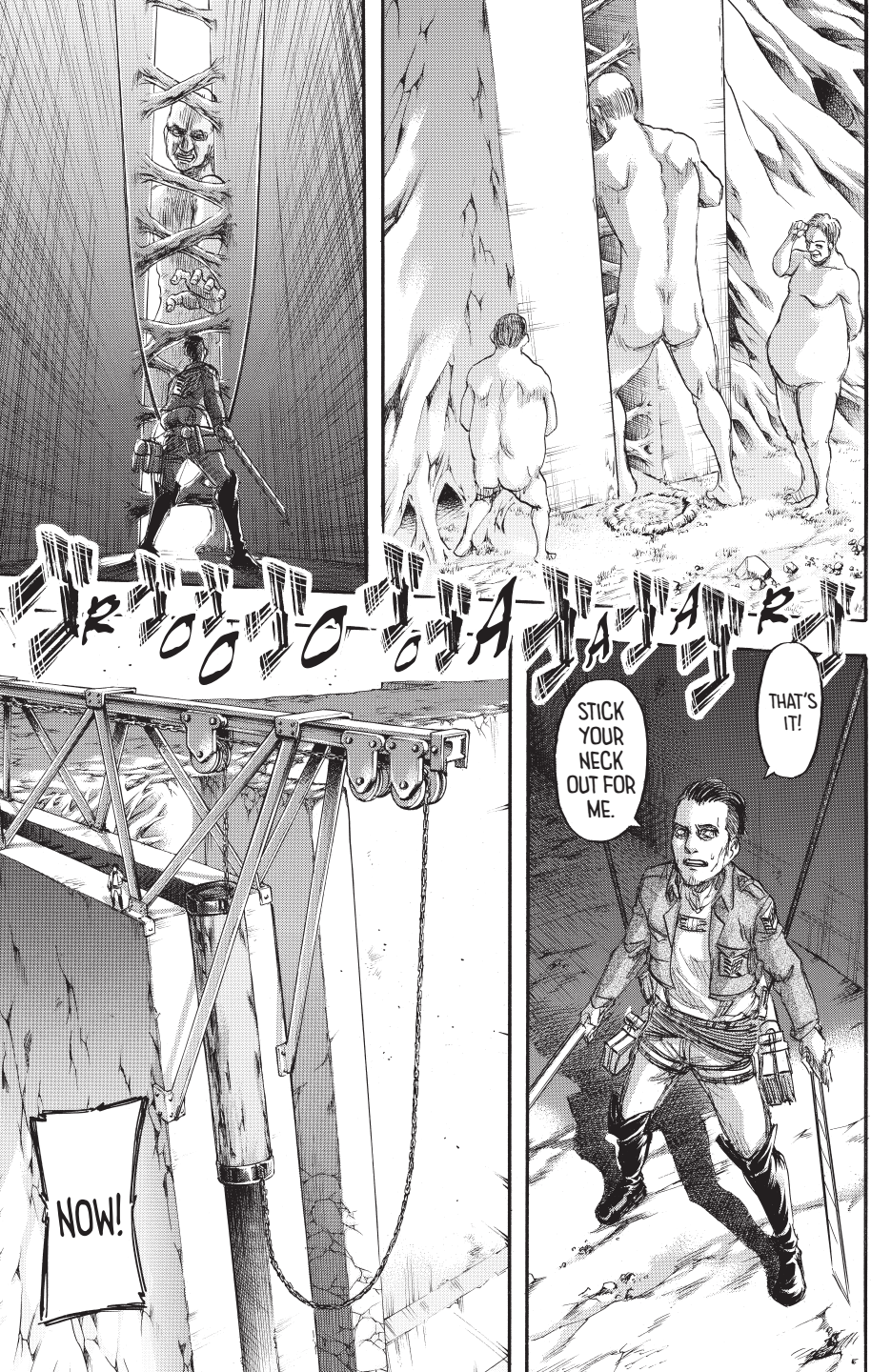

...THE MILITARY RIGHTEOUSLY AND MERCILESSLY PUNISHED THOSE OF THE OLD ORDER.
FOR THE CRIME OF PUTTING THEIR OWN SELF-INTEREST ABOVE ALL AND THREATENING THE EXISTENCE OF THE HUMAN RACE...

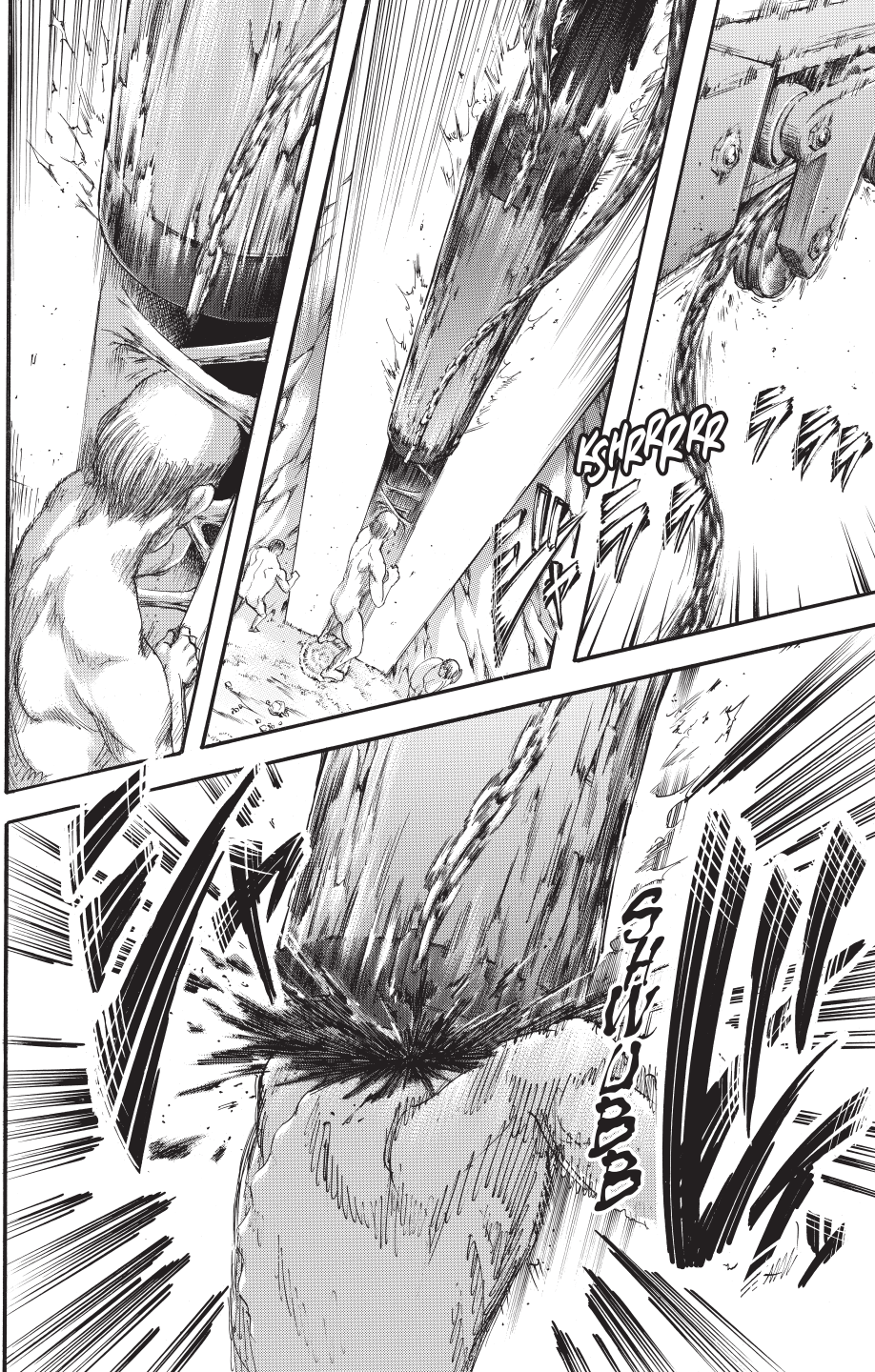

AS FOR THE REMAINING ARISTOCRACY, DIFFERENT LEVELS OF TAXATION WERE SET FOR THOSE WHO COOPERATED WITH THE MILITARY AND THOSE WHO OPPOSED THEM, PREVENTING THEM FROM JOINING TOGETHER.
POLITICAL FAMILIES AND THOSE RELATED TO THEM HAD THEIR TITLES REVOKED AND WERE SENT TO DETENTION FACILITIES SCATTERED ACROSS THE LAND.

...BUT MUCH WAS GAINED IN RETURN.
THESE PURGES DISPLACED EVEN MORE CENTRAL FIGURES IN HUMAN SOCIETY THAN HAD DIED IN THE REBELLION...


...HAD IN FACT PRESERVED RESEARCH RECORDS IN SECRET, OPENING THE DOOR TO NEW AND BETTER WEAPONS.
SOME INSIDE THE INTERIOR MILITARY POLICE, WHICH HAD BEEN ORDERED TO WIPE OUT SIGNS OF TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION...
WITH MANUFACTURING AREAS LIT BOTH DAY AND NIGHT, PRODUCTIVITY IMPROVED.
...WERE DISTRIBUTED TO THE PEOPLE TO PROVIDE LIMITLESS ENERGY.
THE SHINING STONES IN THE CAVERN BENEATH THE REISS FAMILY GROUNDS, SUPPOSEDLY CREATED BY THE TITANS...
...IT ALSO GAVE BIRTH TO A CERTAIN ANTI-TITAN WEAPON.
...PROMISED NOT ONLY TO BLOCK SHIGANSHINA DISTRICT'S RUINED GATE...
AND THE HARDENING POWER EREN GAINED...

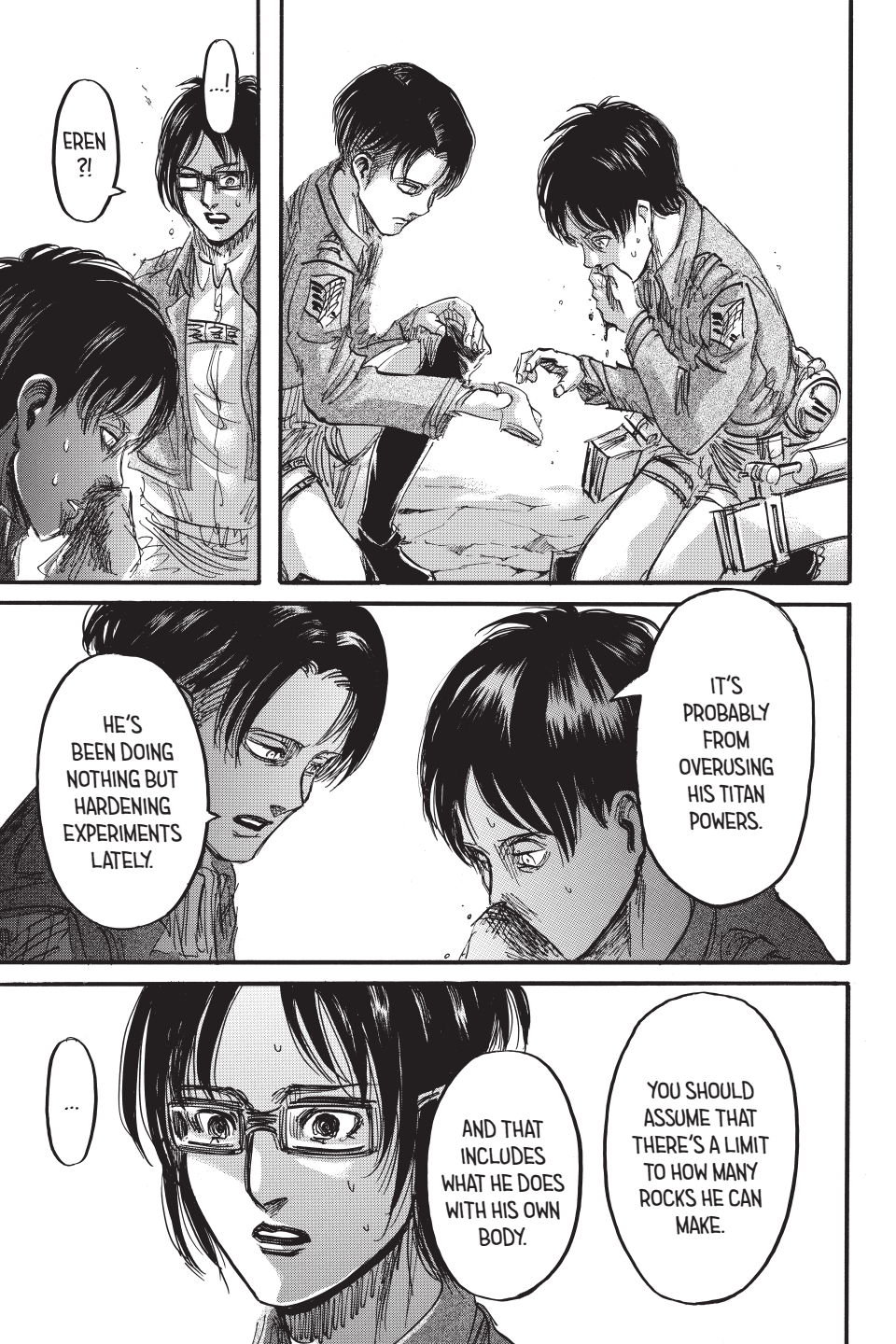

WHOOOOOOOOSH
TROST DISTRICT


THAT'S IT!
STICK YOUR NECK OUT FOR ME.
NOW!


KSHRRR
SHUUDDD

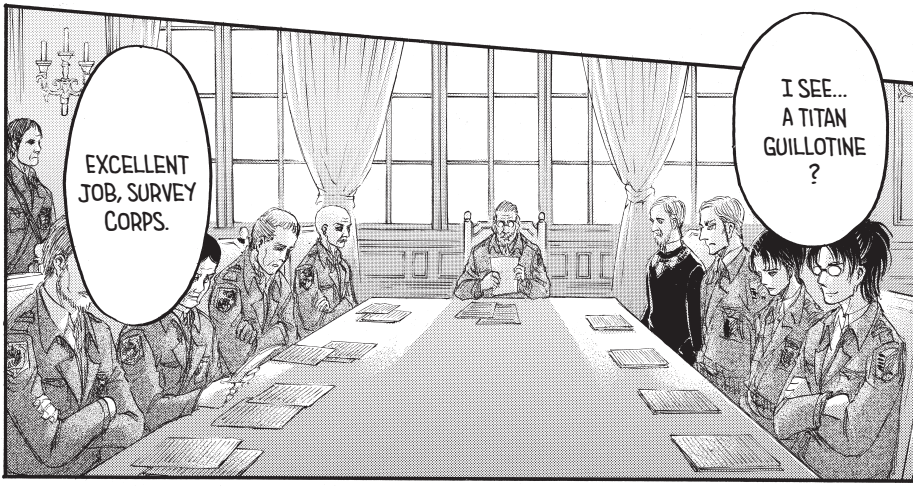
WE DID IT! WE HIT ITS NAPE!
GRRRRKT
WHOA!
... THIS TIME ...
LOOKS LIKE IT DID A LOT OF DAMAGE...
SHHHH

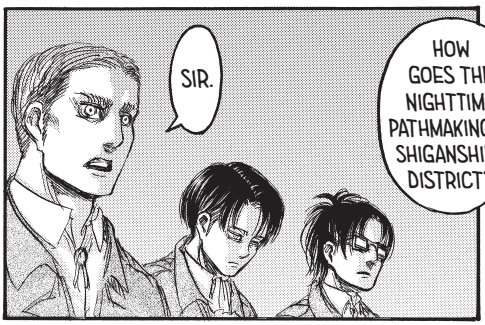
!
JERK
GREAT…
うおおおおおおおおお
A 12-METER CLASS IS DOWN !!
WE DID IT!
WE CAN RUN THESE ALL DAY WITHOUT HAVING TO USE CANNONS OR OTHER RESOURCES! WE'VE CREATED AN EXECUTIONER FROM HELL WHOSE SOLE PURPOSE IS TO SLAUGHTER TITANS!!
IT WORKED JUST AS I PLANNED! NOW WE CAN DEFEAT TITANS WITHOUT SOLDIERS EVEN HAVING TO FIGHT THEM!
NOW WE'LL MAKE MORE OF THESE AND BRING THEM TO THE OTHER WALLED CITIES TO—
WE DID IT, EREN!
BAM
BE THE FIRST TO LET THEM KNOW !!
SPREAD THE WORD !
SPREAD THE WORD !
BSH
NEWSPAPERMEN!! MORE GOOD NEWS FOR HUMANITY !!

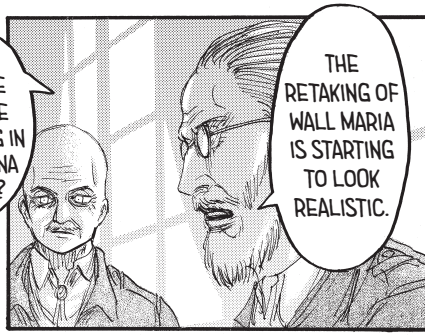

EREN ?!
...!
IT'S PROBABLY FROM OVERUSING HIS TITAN POWERS.
HE'S BEEN DOING NOTHING BUT HARDENING EXPERIMENTS LATELY.
YOU SHOULD ASSUME THAT THERE'S A LIMIT TO HOW MANY ROCKS HE CAN MAKE.
AND THAT INCLUDES WHAT HE DOES WITH HIS OWN BODY.
...

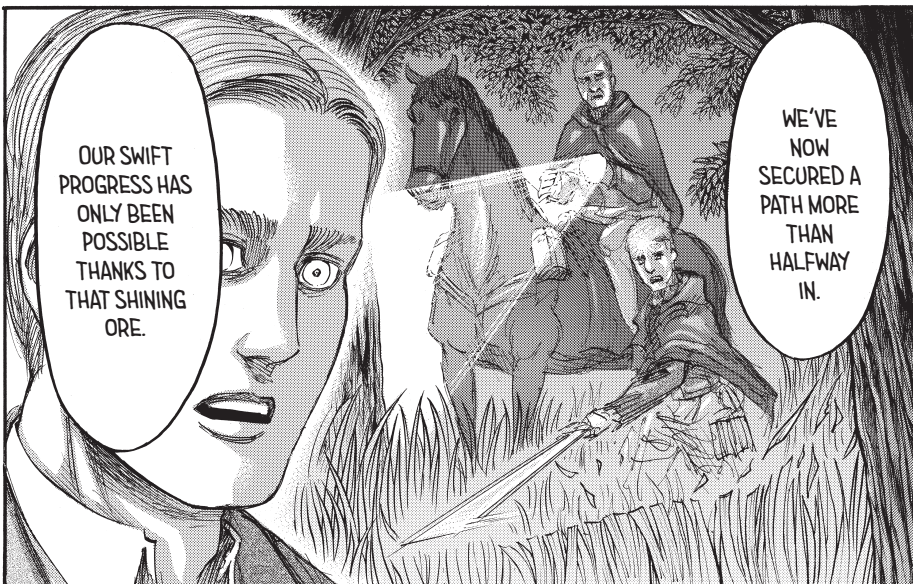
SORRY, EREN ...
I WAS TOO CAUGHT UP IN MY OWN IDEAS...
PLEASE DON'T APOLOGIZE.
WHOOSH
THERE'S NO NEED TO SAY THAT JUST BECAUSE I'M A LITTLE TIRED.
LOOK AT THIS AMAZING WEAPON WE NOW HAVE.
LET'S MAKE MORE.
THE THOUGHT OF BEING ABLE TO KILL TITANS WITHOUT ANYONE HAVING TO BE EATEN...

...AND WE'LL BE ABLE TO CLEAN THE TITANS OUT FROM INSIDE WALL MARIA.
KREEK
KREEK
...AND KEEP USING THESE TO GET RID OF TITANS...
KREEK
NOW WE JUST HAVE TO CLOSE THE HOLE IN WALL MARIA...
SHHHH
LET'S GET OUR WEAPONS READY... AND GO.
TO SHIGAN-SHINA DISTRICT.


EXCELLENT JOB, SURVEY CORPS.
I SEE... A TITAN GUILLOTINE ?


SIR.
HOW GOES THE NIGHTTIME PATHMAKING IN SHIGANSHINA DISTRICT?


THE RETAKING OF WALL MARIA IS STARTING TO LOOK REALISTIC.


OUR SWIFT PROGRESS HAS ONLY BEEN POSSIBLE THANKS TO THAT SHINING ORE.
WE'VE NOW SECURED A PATH MORE THAN HALFWAY IN.

AS IS THE PRACTICAL INTRO-DUCTION OF THOSE NEW WEAPONS.
THE DAY WE EXECUTE THE PLAN TO RECLAIM WALL MARIA IS NOW IN SIGHT.
...I BELIEVE THAT ALL OUR PREPARATIONS WILL BE COMPLETE.
WITHIN THE MONTH...
BUT FAILURE IS NOT AN OPTION.
EARLIER THAN EXPECT-ED.
OHH...

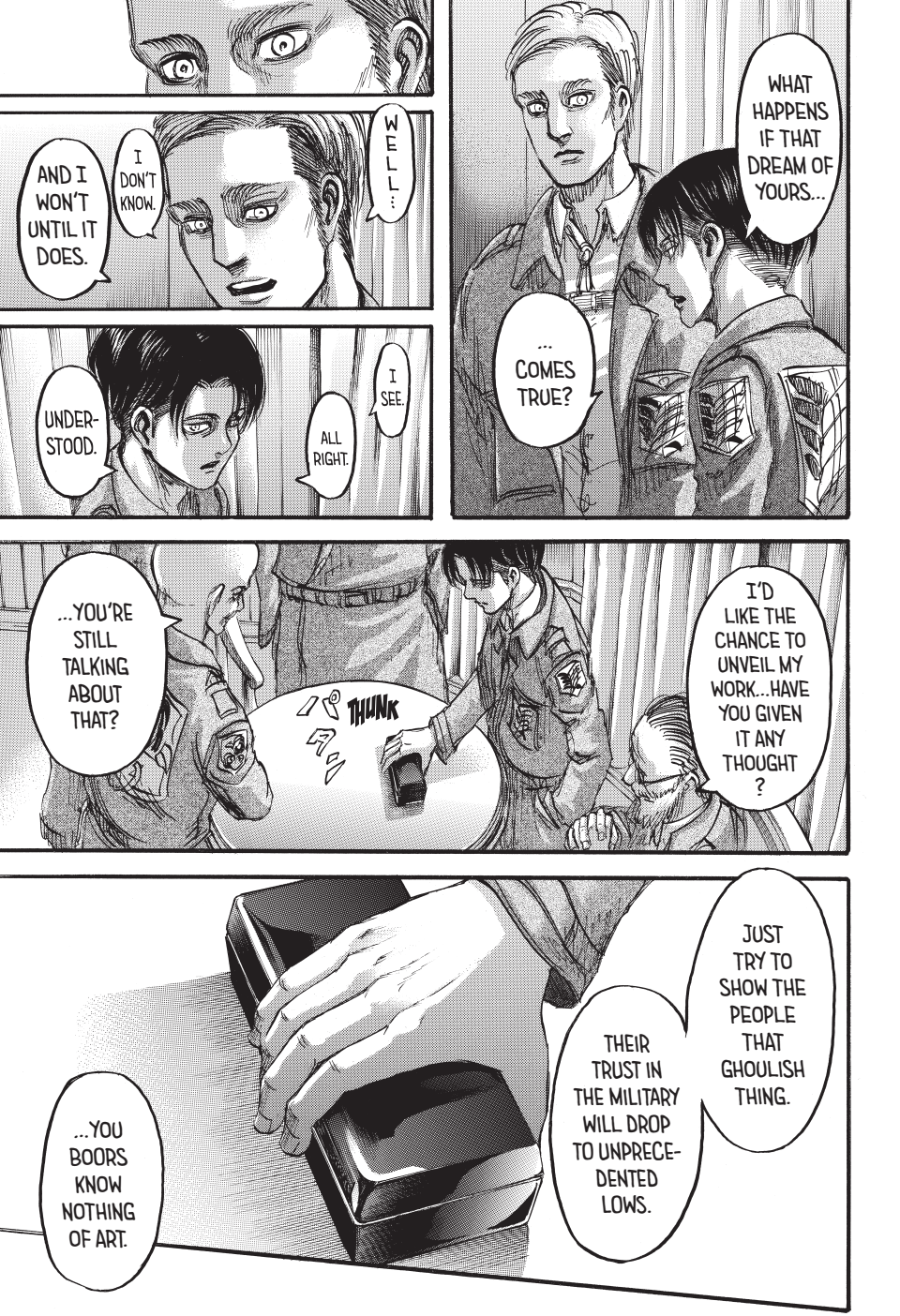
AFTER ALL, KEEPING THE ARISTOCRATS WE'VE TAXED SO HEAVILY UNDER CONTROL...
...AND SECURING THE SURVEY CORPS'S SPECIAL FUNDING ...
ALL THAT IS PREDICATED ON RETAKING THAT LOST TERRITORY.
IF WE FAIL, WE'LL GO BANKRUPT.
HMPH ...
CAP-TAIN, SIR.
DO YOU HAVE ANY ADVICE ?
...NO, I DON'T.
I THINK YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT.
WE HAVE BLED BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE WALLS, ALL IN ORDER TO RETAKE WALL MARIA.
AS FOR THE SURVEY CORPS, WE INTEND TO DEVOTE OUR FULL STRENGTH TO REPAY OUR LOST FELLOW SOLDIERS FOR GIVING THEIR LIVES.

I PRAY THAT THE TREASURE YOU SEEK SLEEPS IN THAT CELLAR IN SHIGANSHINA.
INDEED... IT IS PAST TIME YOU WERE REWARDED FOR YOUR EFFORTS.
KNOCK KNOCK
GA-CHIK

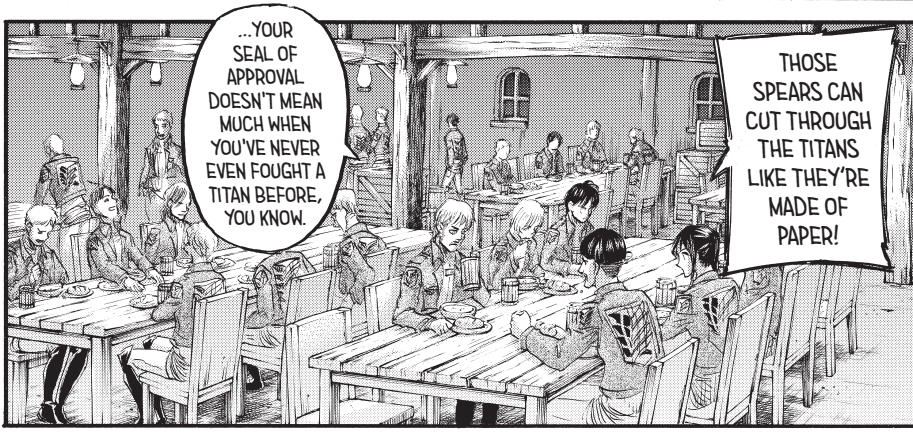
DOES IT LOOK LIKE YOU'LL BE ABLE TO DISCOVER WHAT IS IN THAT BOTTLE?
SO ...?
BAM
THIS IS ALL WE CAN FIND OUT WITH THE TECH-NOLOGY WE CURRENTLY POSSESS.
WELL, ABOUT THAT...
AS SOON AS THIS LIQUID TOUCHES AIR, IT EVAPORATES, MAKING ANALYSIS DIFFICULT.
AS WE HEARD FROM EREN AND HISTORIA, IT SEEMS TO CONTAIN INGREDIENTS BASED ON HUMAN SPINAL FLUID. THERE SEEMS TO BE MORE AS WELL, BUT...

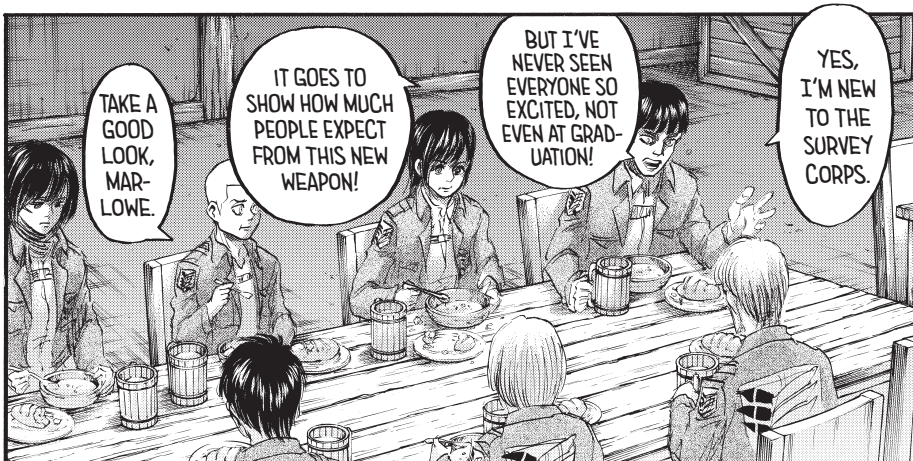
JUST HOW DID THE REISS FAMILY CREATE IT, THEN...?
THIS STUFF IS FAR BEYOND OUR CAPABILITIES, AFTER ALL.
YOU... ERWIN ?
WHOM WOULD WE ENTRUST IT TO?
THIS BOX—
NO... I'M A WOUNDED SOLDIER.
...RATHER THAN STUMBLE AROUND IN THE DARK, OUR ONLY OPTION IS TO USE IT FOR ITS INTENDED PURPOSE.
THEN...

WHY WOULD YOU BOTHER ASKING ME?
...IF THAT'S MY MISSION, YOU JUST HAVE TO GIVE ME THE ORDER.
WILL YOU TAKE IT, LEVI?
...SHOULD BE ENTRUSTED TO OUR MOST TALENTED SOLDIER WITH THE HIGHEST CHANCES OF SURVIVAL.
IN OTHER WORDS, YOU'LL BE ENTRUSTED WITH THIS IN PART BECAUSE OF YOUR ABILITY TO MAKE AN ON-THE-GROUND DECISION.
...WE CAN'T PREDICT HOW THIS WILL BE USED IN THE FIELD.
CAN I TRUST YOU WITH THAT?
...DEPENDING ON THE SITUATION.
YOU'LL BE THE ONE TO DECIDE WHO SHOULD USE IT...

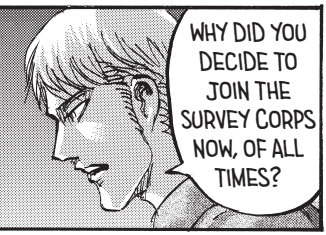

WHAT HAPPENS IF THAT DREAM OF YOURS...
...COMES TRUE?
WELL...
I DON'T KNOW.
AND I WON'T UNTIL IT DOES.
I SEE.
ALL RIGHT.
UNDER-STOOD.
I'D LIKE THE CHANCE TO UNVEIL MY WORK...HAVE YOU GIVEN IT ANY THOUGHT?
THUNK
...YOU'RE STILL TALKING ABOUT THAT?
JUST TRY TO SHOW THE PEOPLE THAT GHOULISH THING.
THEIR TRUST IN THE MILITARY WILL DROP TO UNPRECE-DENTED LOWS.
...YOU BOORS KNOW NOTHING OF ART.

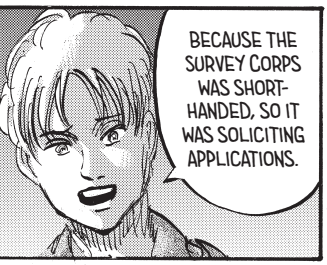
WE CAN BEAT THEM!!
WE CAN BEAT THEM...
BAM


...YOUR SEAL OF APPROVAL DOESN'T MEAN MUCH WHEN YOU'VE NEVER EVEN FOUGHT A TITAN BEFORE, YOU KNOW.
THOSE SPEARS CAN CUT THROUGH THE TITANS LIKE THEY'RE MADE OF PAPER!

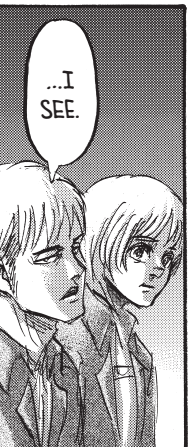

TAKE A GOOD LOOK, MARLOWE.
IT GOES TO SHOW HOW MUCH PEOPLE EXPECT FROM THIS NEW WEAPON!
BUT I'VE NEVER SEEN EVERYONE SO EXCITED, NOT EVEN AT GRADUATION!
YES, I'M NEW TO THE SURVEY CORPS.

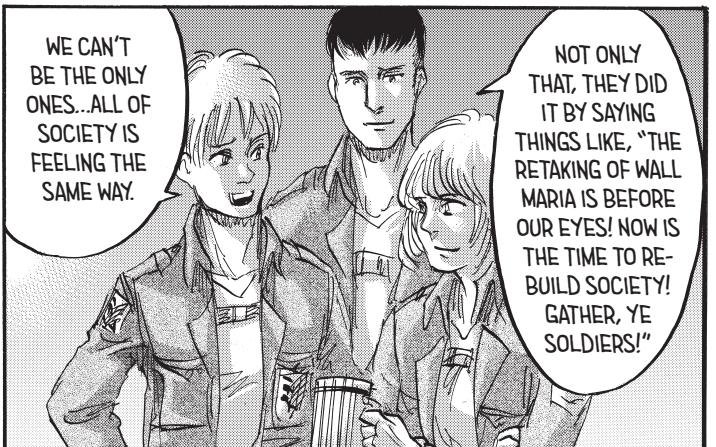
WHAT WAS THAT, JEAN?
THERE ARE BARELY ANY VETERANS AROUND HERE.
THE ONLY SOLDIERS EXCITED ARE TRANSFERS LIKE YOU WITH ZERO PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE.

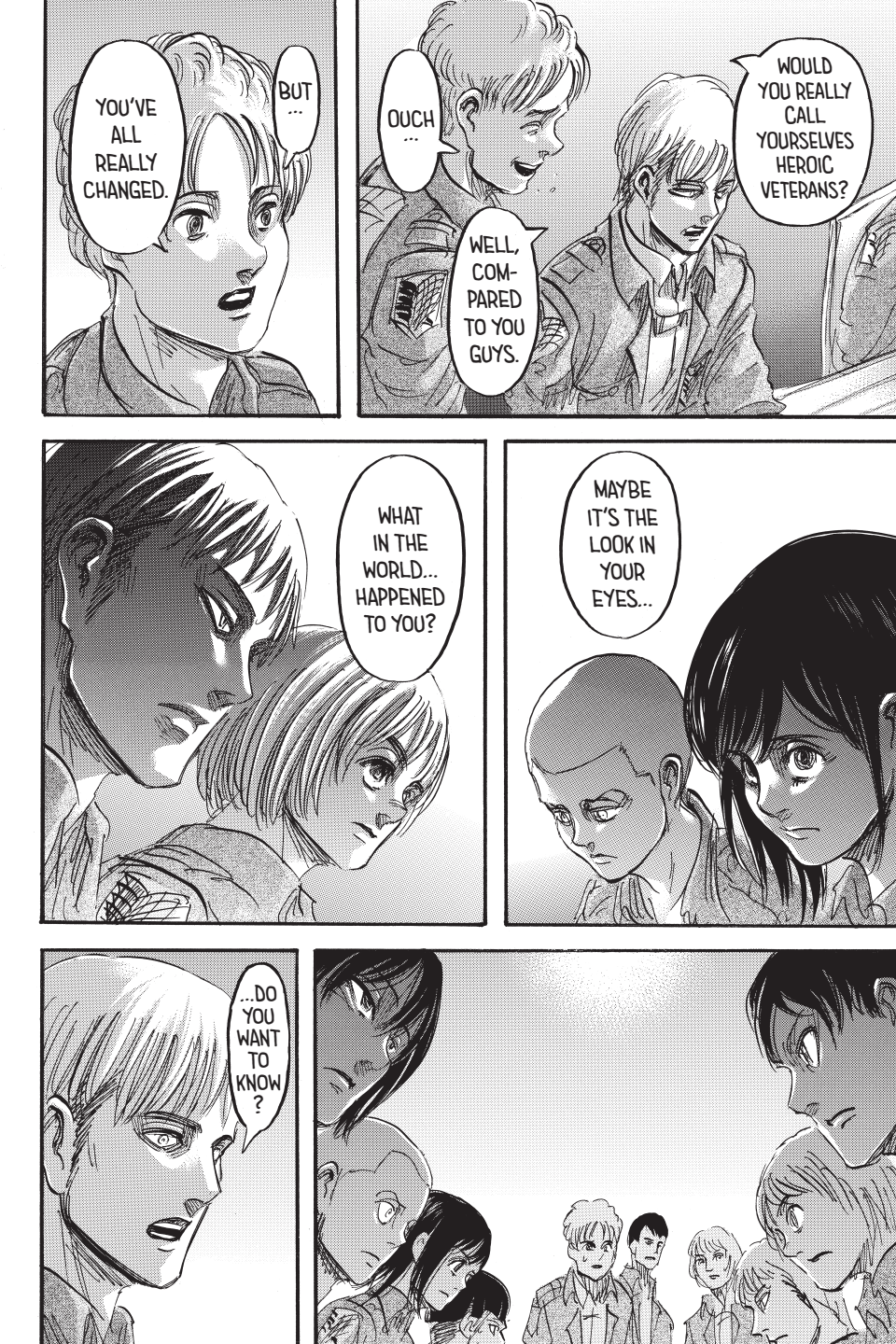

WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO JOIN THE SURVEY CORPS NOW, OF ALL TIMES?

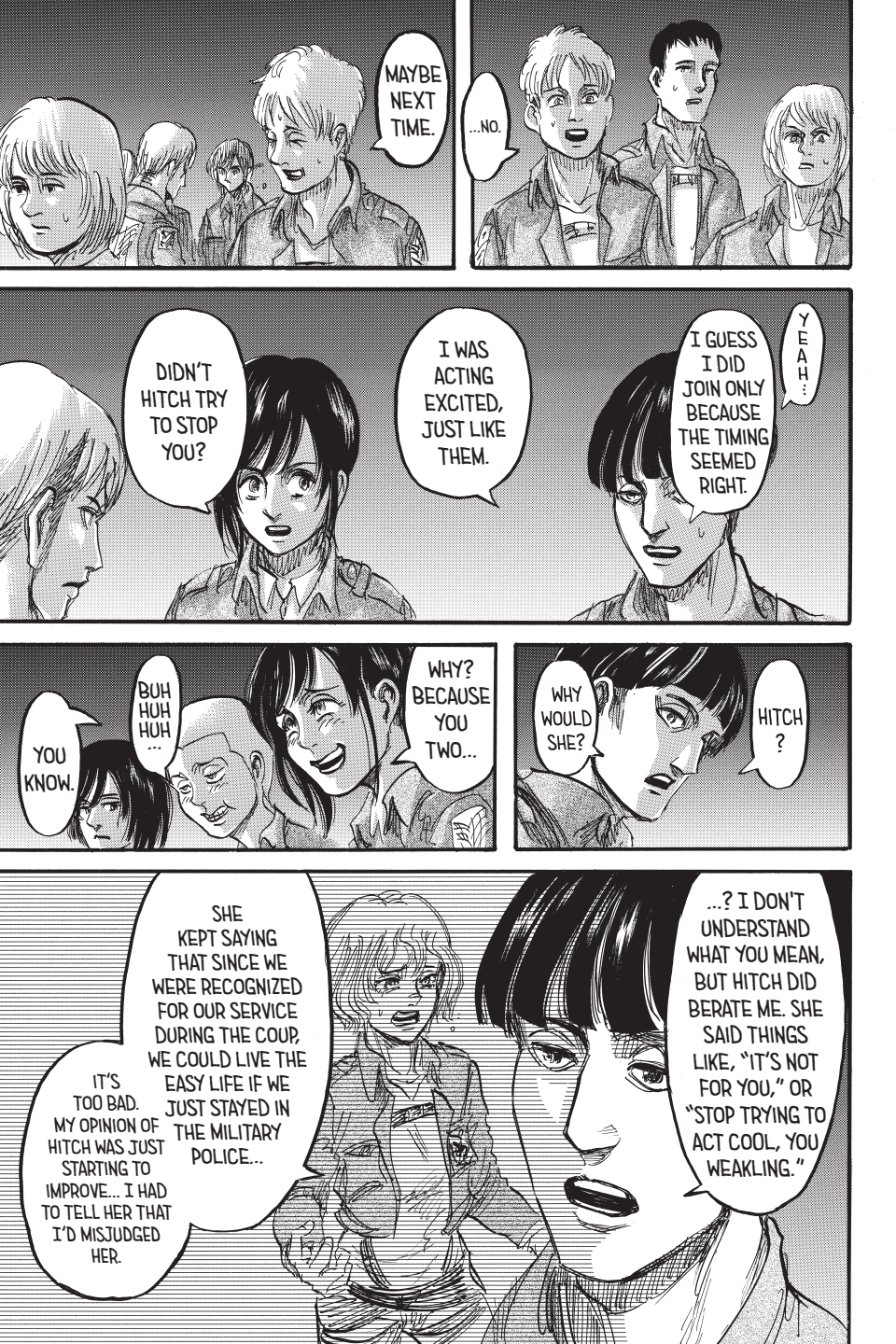

BECAUSE THE SURVEY CORPS WAS SHORT-HANDED, SO IT WAS SOLICITING APPLICATIONS.

AREN'T WE ALL PART OF THE 104TH?
IS THAT HOW LITTLE YOU THINK OF US GARRISON LEFTOVERS?


...I SEE.


WE CAN'T BE THE ONLY ONES...ALL OF SOCIETY IS FEELING THE SAME WAY.
NOT ONLY THAT, THEY DID IT BY SAYING THINGS LIKE, "THE RETAKING OF WALL MARIA IS BEFORE OUR EYES! NOW IS THE TIME TO RE-BUILD SOCIETY! GATHER, YE SOLDIERS!"

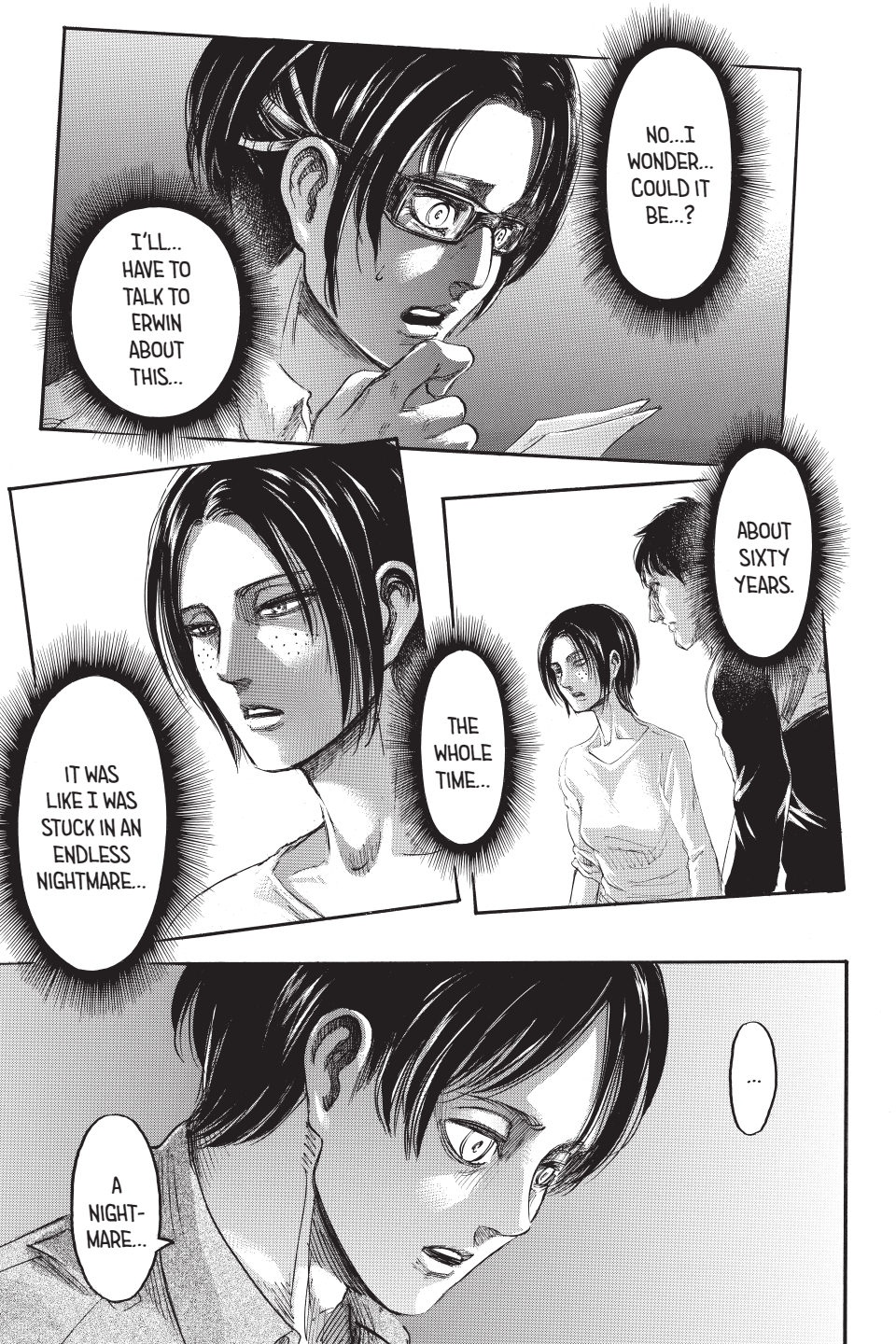

YOU'VE ALL REALLY CHANGED.
BUT ...
OUCH ...
WELL, COMPARED TO YOU GUYS.
WOULD YOU REALLY CALL YOURSELVES HEROIC VETERANS?
WHAT IN THE WORLD... HAPPENED TO YOU?
MAYBE IT'S THE LOOK IN YOUR EYES...
...DO YOU WANT TO KNOW?

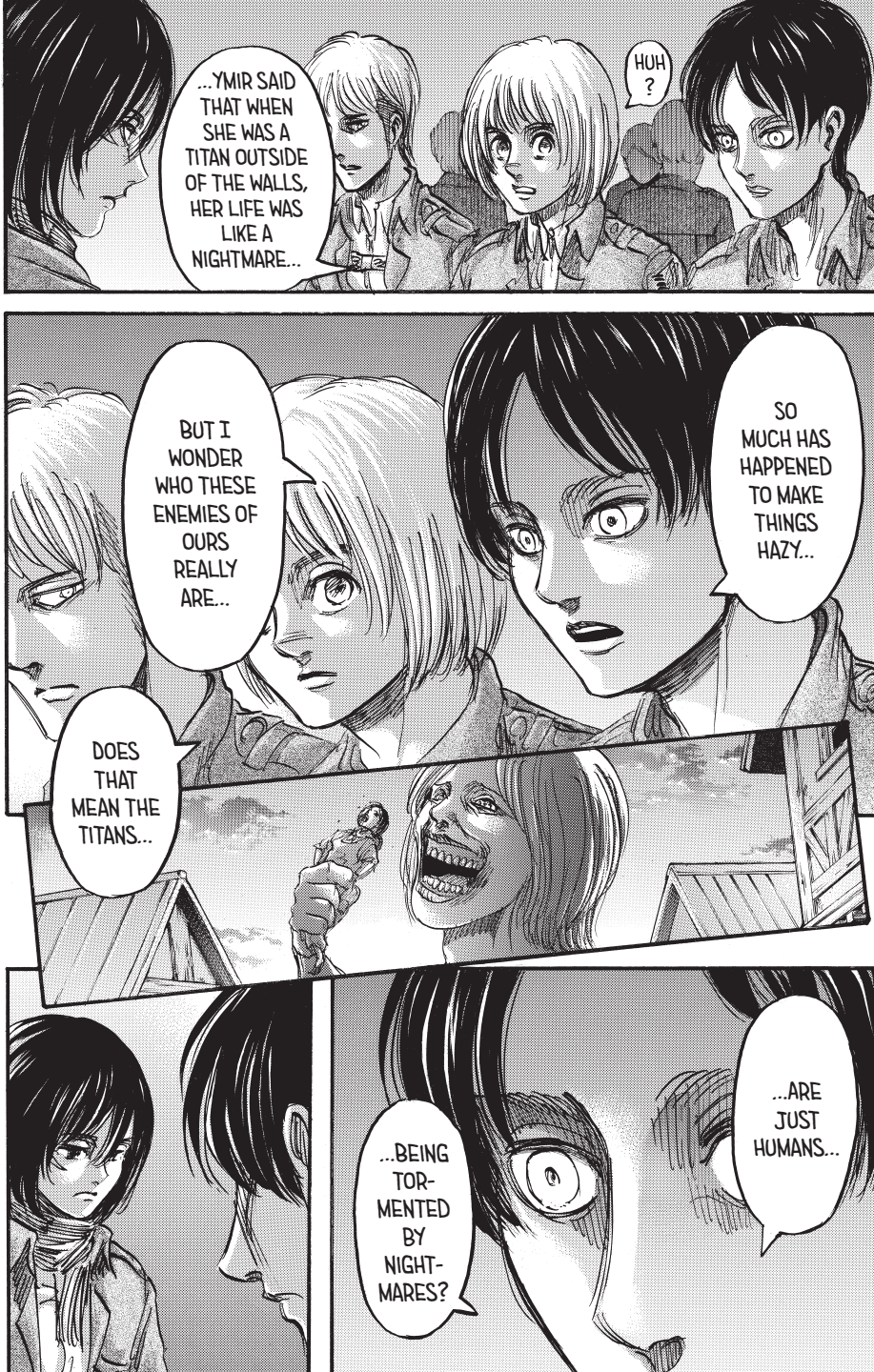

MAYBE NEXT TIME.
...NO.
YEAH...
I GUESS I DID JOIN ONLY BECAUSE THE TIMING SEEMED RIGHT.
I WAS ACTING EXCITED, JUST LIKE THEM.
DIDN'T HITCH TRY TO STOP YOU?
HITCH?
WHY WOULD SHE?
WHY? BECAUSE YOU TWO...
BUH HUH HUH...
YOU KNOW.
...? I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU MEAN, BUT HITCH DID BERATE ME. SHE SAID THINGS LIKE, "IT'S NOT FOR YOU," OR "STOP TRYING TO ACT COOL, YOU WEAKLING."
SHE KEPT SAYING THAT SINCE WE WERE RECOGNIZED FOR OUR SERVICE DURING THE COUP, WE COULD LIVE THE EASY LIFE IF WE JUST STAYED IN THE MILITARY POLICE...
IT'S TOO BAD. MY OPINION OF HITCH WAS JUST STARTING TO IMPROVE... I HAD TO TELL HER THAT I'D MISJUDGED HER.

WHAT? MARLOWE HASN'T DONE ANYTHING WRONG.
?
LOOK AT THIS BOWL-CUT BASTARD.
ARE YOU STUPID OR SOMETHING, MARLOWE?
HUH ?
... PIECE OF SHIT.
RIGHT ?
CHATTER
CHATTER
CHATTER
CHATTER
YEAH... THAT'S WHY I WAS THINKING OF GOING BACK TO MY VILLAGE TOMORROW MORNING...
WHAAA? TOMORROW'S AN ADJUST-MENT DAY. YOU SHOULD TAKE IT EASY.
I SHOULD GO.
SKEE
OKAY.

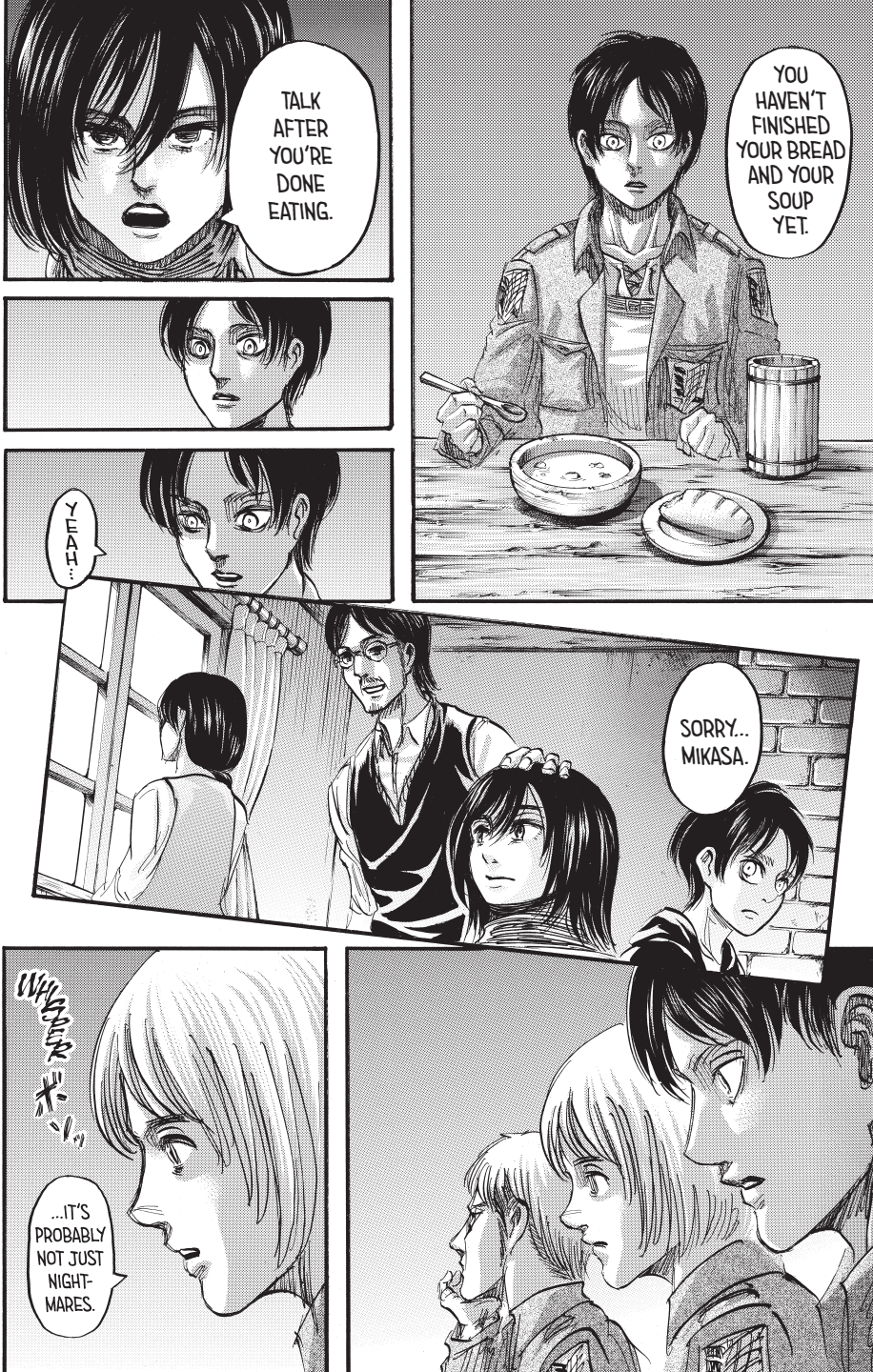
I MIGHT BE ABLE TO LEARN SOMETHING NEW, TOO.
GOOD NIGHT.
YEAH.
A WAY TO TURN CONNIE'S MOM BACK TO NORMAL...
THERE'S STILL A POSSIBILITY ONE EXISTS, RIGHT?
YEAH...
IF WE KEEP LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE TITANS... ONE DAY...
THE TITANS ARE ACTUALLY...
...HUMANS...?!

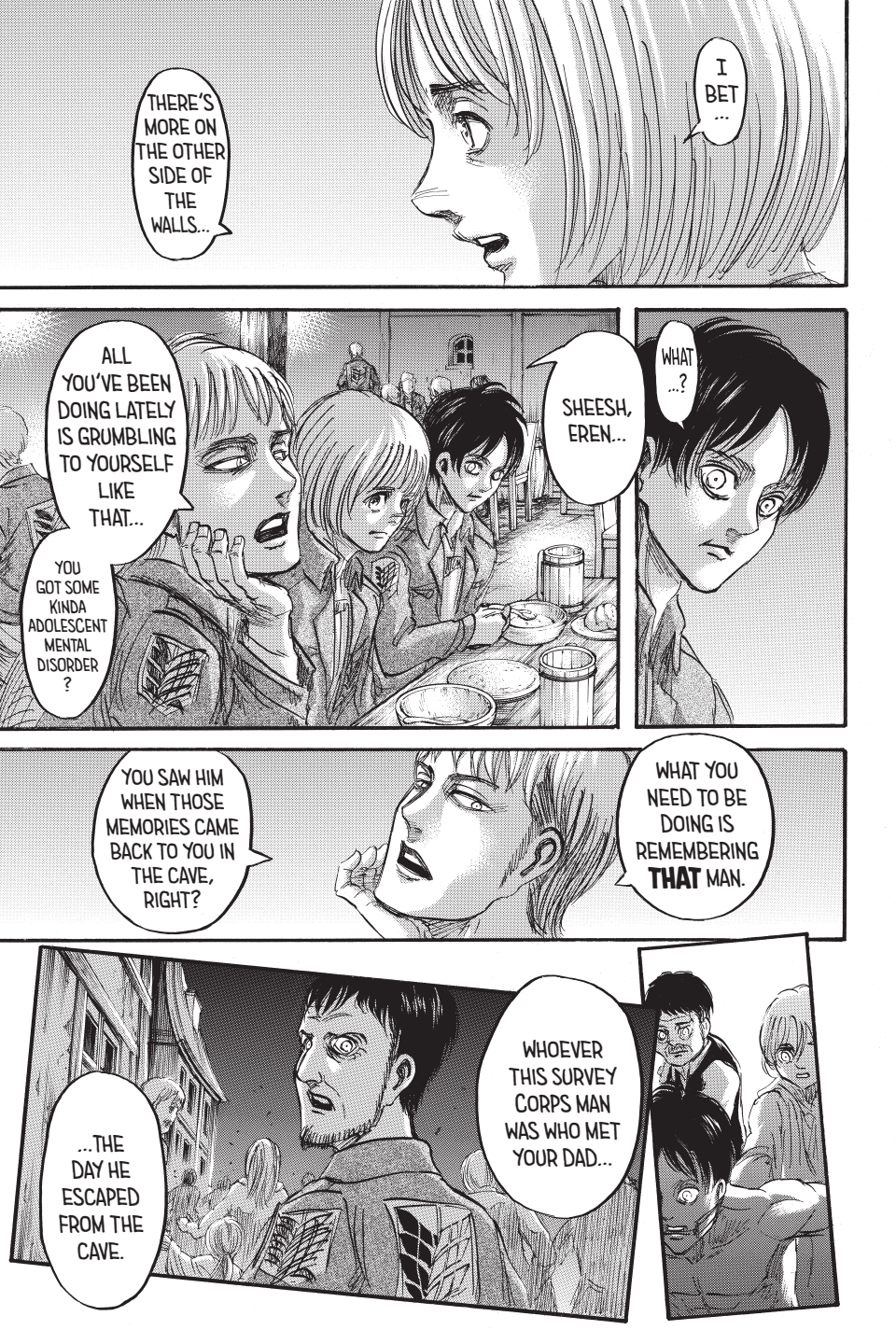
THE SURVEY OF RAGAKO VILLAGE HAS JUST BEGUN.
THIS MEANS... THAT MIGHT BE TRUE.
THIS... CONVER-SATION BETWEEN YMIR AND BERTOLT.
IF IT'S NOT JUST A DREAM YOU HAD...
THAT WOULD MEAN THAT YMIR... WAS A TITAN THAT WANDERED AROUND OUTSIDE THE WALLS.
WHAT ...?


NO...I WONDER... COULD IT BE...?
I'LL... HAVE TO TALK TO ERWIN ABOUT THIS...
ABOUT SIXTY YEARS.
THE WHOLE TIME...
IT WAS LIKE I WAS STUCK IN AN ENDLESS NIGHTMARE...
...
A NIGHT-MARE...


...YMIR SAID THAT WHEN SHE WAS A TITAN OUTSIDE OF THE WALLS, HER LIFE WAS LIKE A NIGHTMARE...
HUH?
SO MUCH HAS HAPPENED TO MAKE THINGS HAZY...
BUT I WONDER WHO THESE ENEMIES OF OURS REALLY ARE...
DOES THAT MEAN THE TITANS...
...ARE JUST HUMANS...
...BEING TOR-MENTED BY NIGHT-MARES?

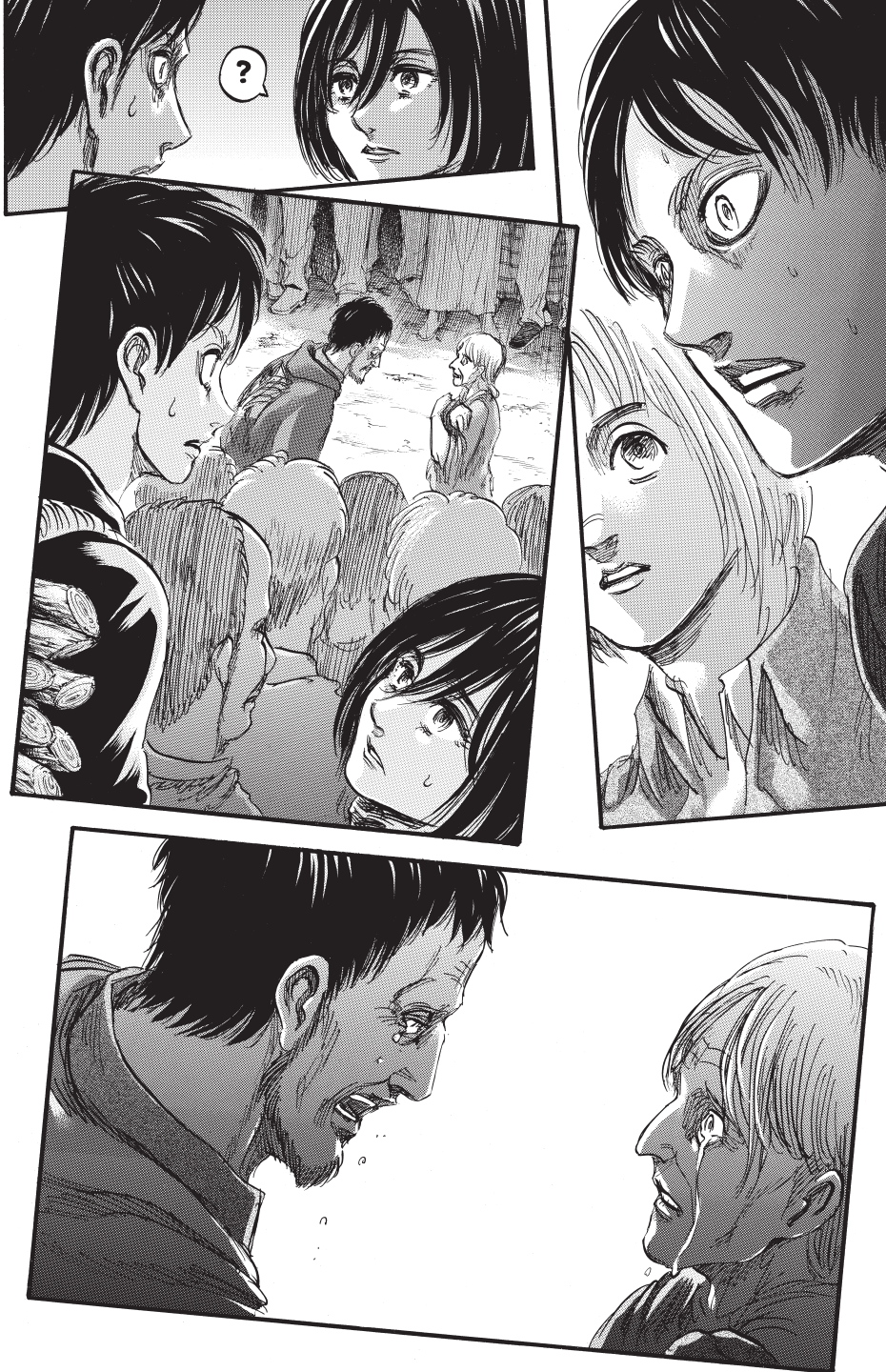
THERE MUST HAVE BEEN A TIME WHEN I WAS A TITAN LIKE THAT, TOO.
...BUT I DON'T REMEMBER A THING ABOUT IT...
ALL I REMEMBER IS WHAT MY FATHER SAW AS I ATE H—
EREN.


TALK AFTER YOU'RE DONE EATING.
YOU HAVEN'T FINISHED YOUR BREAD AND YOUR SOUP YET.
YEAH…
SORRY… MIKASA.
WHISPER ボソッ
…IT'S PROBABLY NOT JUST NIGHT-MARES.

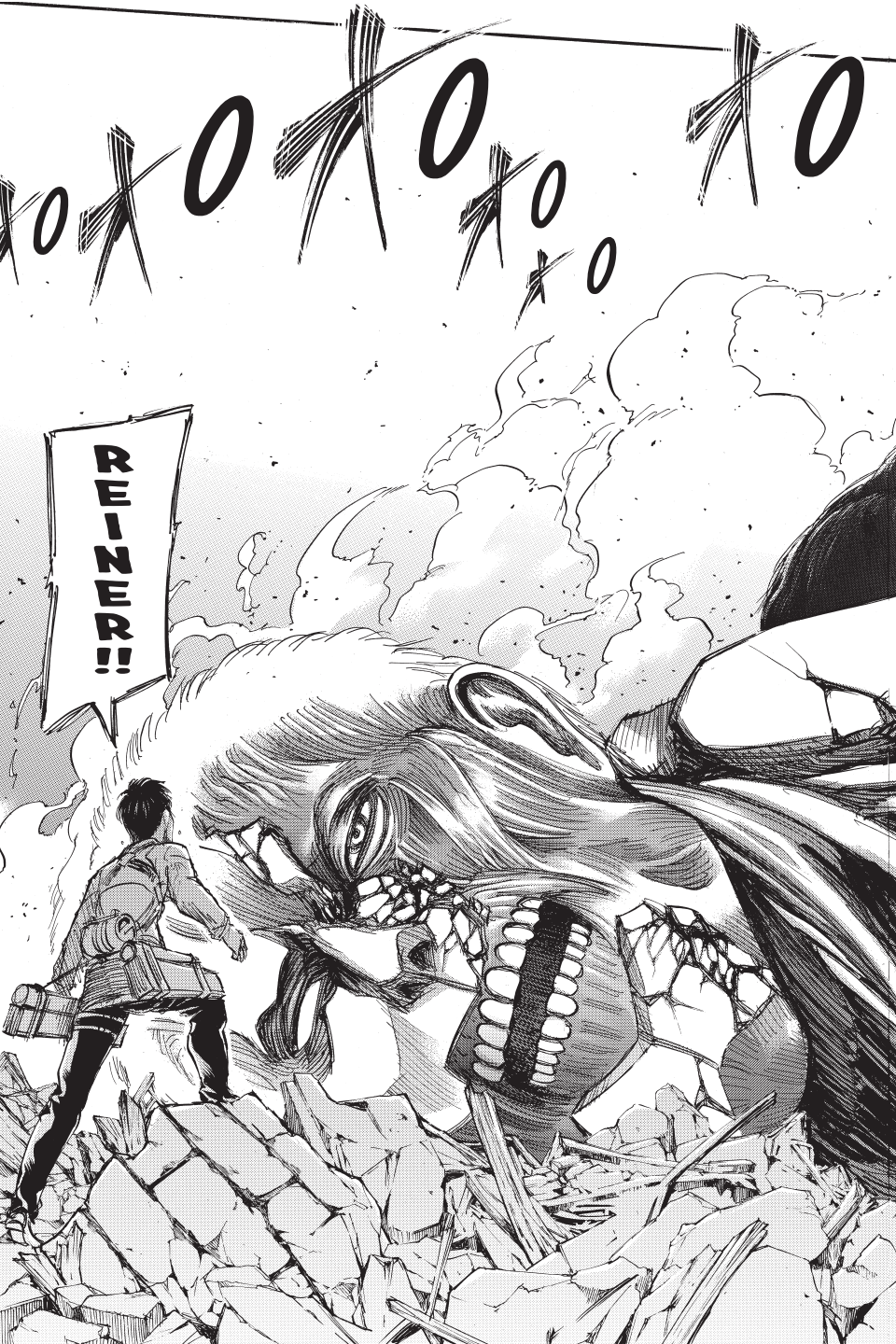

I BET...
THERE'S MORE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WALLS...
WHAT...?
SHEESH, EREN...
ALL YOU'VE BEEN DOING LATELY IS GRUMBLING TO YOURSELF LIKE THAT...
YOU GOT SOME KINDA ADOLESCENT MENTAL DISORDER?
WHAT YOU NEED TO BE DOING IS REMEMBERING **THAT** MAN.
YOU SAW HIM WHEN THOSE MEMORIES CAME BACK TO YOU IN THE CAVE, RIGHT?
WHOEVER THIS SURVEY CORPS MAN WAS WHO MET YOUR DAD...
...THE DAY HE ESCAPED FROM THE CAVE.

YEAH... HE MET MY DAD ON THAT DAY, AND IN THAT SITUATION...
...HE HAS TO KNOW SOMETHING.
AND ANYWAY...
I FEEL LIKE I'VE SEEN THAT MAN SOMEWHERE MYSELF...
ARE YOU SURE THEY'RE YOUR MEMORIES, NOT DR. YEAGER'S?
...I THINK SO.
WHY DON'T YOU TRY HITTING YOUR HEAD AGAINST SOMETHING?
THAT'S RIGHT. ALL YOU'VE BEEN DOING TO REMEMBER IS HOLDING HANDS WITH HISTORIA.
MAYBE WHAT YOU NEED IS A HEADBUTT FROM THE INSTRUCTOR.
IF THAT'S WHAT IT'D TAKE, I'D LET HIM HEADBUTT ME AS MANY TIMES AS HE WANTS.

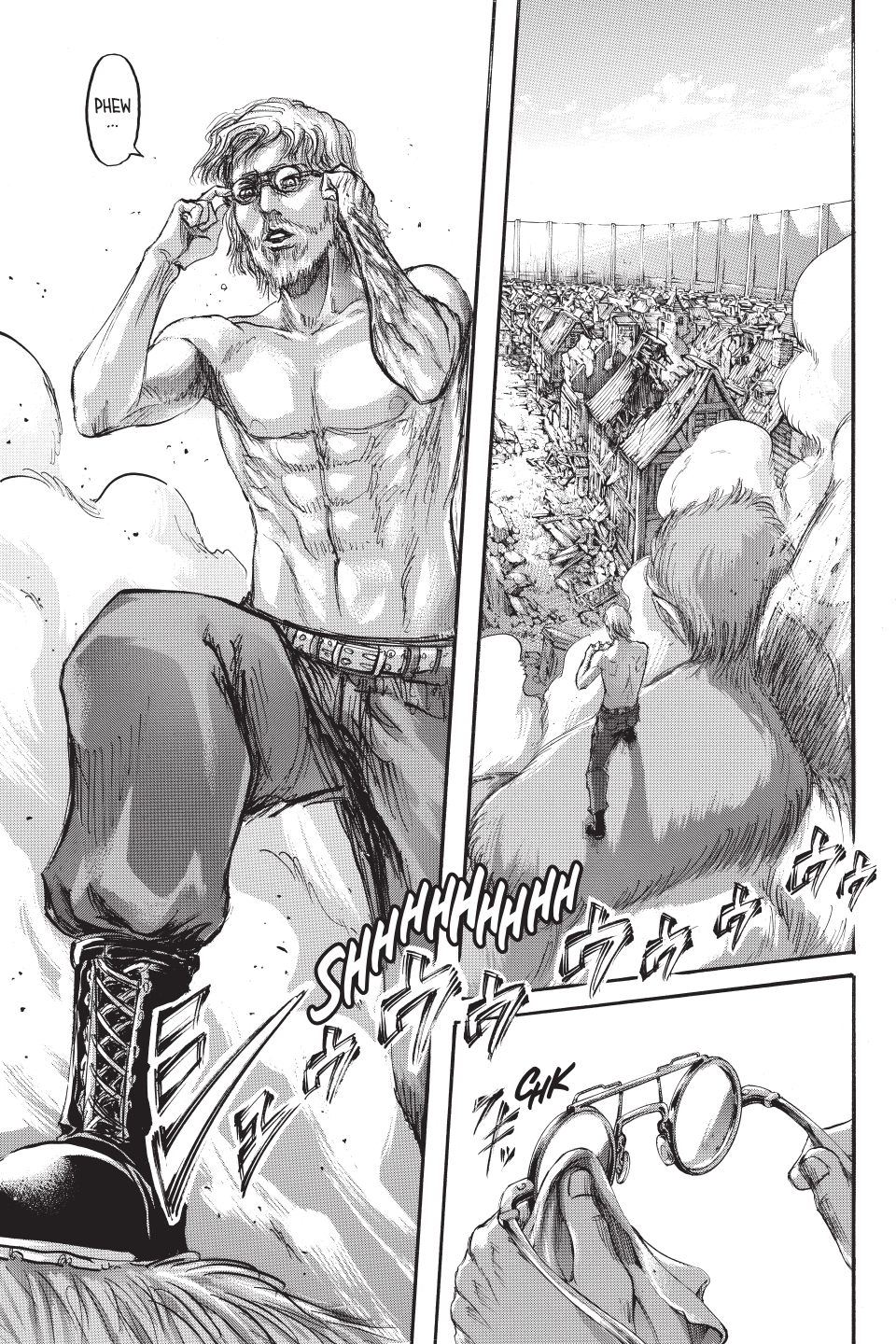
HOLD ON.



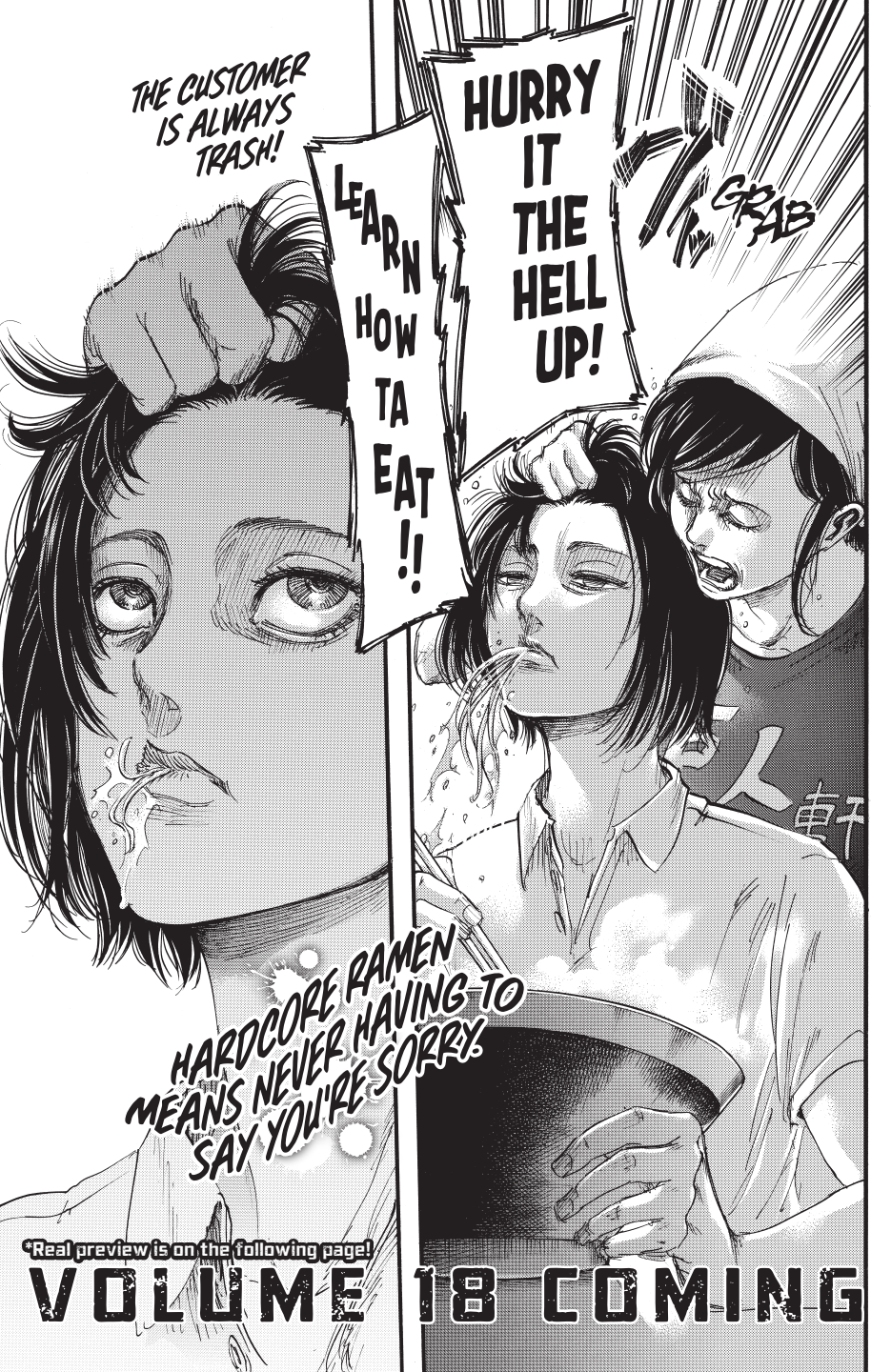
HEY...
...WAIT A SEC-OND.
I WAS JOKING ABOUT THE HEADBUT-TING, YOU KNOW.
CLUNK
NOT FOR THAT.
TO SEE HEAD INSTRUCT-OR...
...KEITH SHADIS.
TO-MOR-ROW ...
WE'RE GOING.


REINER!!

SNAP SNAP
BSSSHH
MMF !!
I WON.
YOU CAN WORRY ABOUT SAVING ANNIE LATER.
GAH ...
BHSSSHH
DON'T YOU KNOW YOU SHOULD BE TRYING TO RETAKE THE COORDI-NATE?
WAIT HERE AND THEY'LL SHOW UP, AFTER ALL.

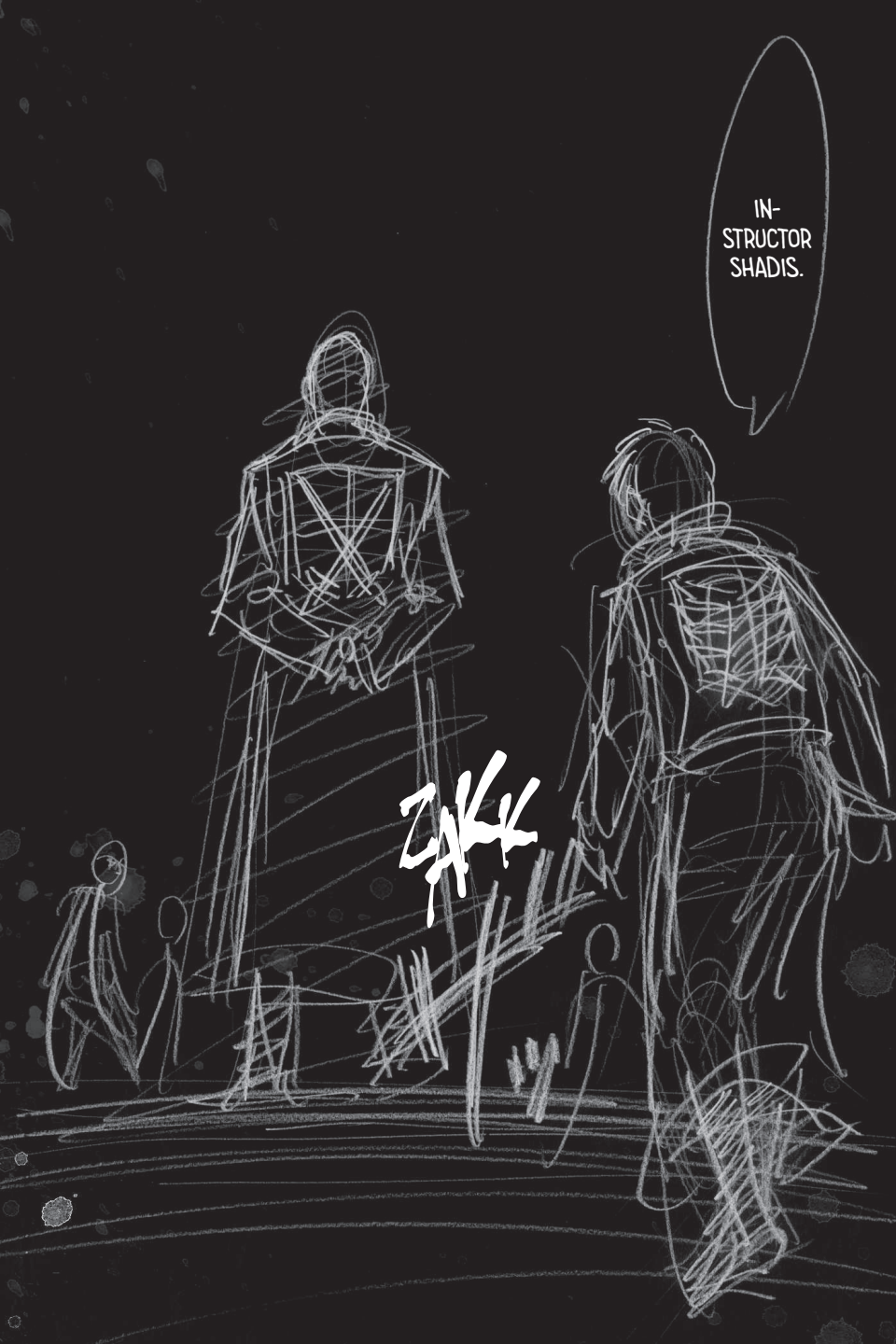

PHEW
...
SHHHHHHHHH
CHK

WELLLLCOOOOME!
ELLLLCOOOOME!
ORDER AAAAAAAP!
READyyyyy!
STOP MESSIN' WITH YER PHOONE!
IT'S TIME TO STEP FOOT INTO THE GREAT RAMEN WARS.
PIOP
STOP SNAP-PIN', START EATIN'!!
STOP FIDDL-ING WITH YER PHONE!!
APRIL 2016



*Real preview is on the following page!

VOLUME 18 COMING


IN-
STRUCTOR
SHADIS.
ZAKK

VOLUME 18 COMING APRIL 2016!

THE MAN WHO KNOWS THE HIDDEN TRUTH FROM THAT DAY IN THE YEAR 845. HOW DOES HE FEEL, AND WHAT WILL HE SAY...?

***Attack on Titan* volume 17**

KODANSHA COMICS Digital Edition

Attack on Titan volume 17 copyright © 2015 Hajime Isayama
English translation copyright © 2015 Hajime Isayama

All rights reserved.

First published in Japan in 2015 by Kodansha Ltd., Tokyo.
Electronic Publishing rights for this English edition arranged through Kodansha Ltd., Tokyo.

No portion of this book may be reproduced or transmitted in any form or by any means without written permission from the copyright holders.

English digital edition published by Kodansha Advanced Media, LLC, San Francisco.

www.kodanshacomics.com

ISBN: 978-1-68233-030-2

Digital Edition: 1.0.0

Translation: Ko Ransom
Lettering: Steve Wands
Editing: Ben Applegate
Kodansha Comics edition cover design by Phil Balsman